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FEVERISH MILITARY ACTIVITY ON BORDER

Russia And Japan Prepare For "Emergencies"

TORPEDO ATTACK ON BRITISH SHIP

Barcelona, To-day.
The British steamer "Clonlara" reported on arrival at Sagunto, near Valencia, yesterday, that she had been attacked by an unknown submarine which fired a torpedo at the vessel ten miles from Sagunto.—Reuter.

JAPANESE NAVY BOMBED OUT OF UPPER YANGTSE

Shanghai, To-day.

It is learned from a very reliable foreign military source that the Chinese air force, operating from aerodromes at and near Hankow, have made matters too hot for Japanese warships on the Yangtse above Wuhu.

About a dozen destroyers and small river gunboats have returned to Wuhu and Nanking in the past few days, most of them bearing the scars of well-directed bombs from Chinese planes.

The foreign officer, who has just returned from a visit to Nanking, confirms Chinese reports, previously scoffed at in some quarters, of the sinking by their planes of several Japanese gunboats in the Yangtse.

EASY VICTIMS

The officer says that river gunboats, with an almost complete absence of A.A. guns, as in the case of the Panay, are easy victims for raiding planes, and that for the sake of safety, many small Japanese warships have come down river to Nanking and Wuhu, where A.A. guns on shore are able to keep off raiding planes.—Our Own Correspondent.

Farmers Ordered Out Of Danger Zone

Tokyo, To-day.

Feverish military activity along the Soviet-Manchukuo, and the Mongolian borders, in the last few days, including steps for the evacuation of farmers within a three-mile range of the border, has been proceeding, according to persistent reports here, credited to military intelligence sources.

It is stated that preparations are being made for emergencies, on both sides of the borders, and that Japanese concentrations in the north of Manchukuo have been considerably increased.

The report states that the Red Army has constructed numerous pill-boxes while the frontier posts are being manned at double strength.

NEUTRALITY ACT

It is also predicted in Tokyo that the United States will soon enforce the Neutrality Act against Japan and China. It is held in Congress quarters, according to the Domei correspondent, that the withdrawal of Ambassadors is tantamount to a declaration of war and a move is expected by the "Neutrality Group" in the House to compel the President to invoke the Act.

CHINESE OFFICIALS

Tokyo official, meanwhile, announce that when the Chinese

CHINESE MOB ATTACKS S'PORE SCHOOL

Singapore, To-day.

Another anti-Japanese incident occurred yesterday afternoon when a Chinese mob surrounded the Japanese Public School and pelted the windows with bricks and stones.

Practically every window in the place was broken and one Japanese student was badly hurt when struck over the head by a rock.

The mob received prior warning of the impending arrival of the police and quickly dispersed. —Our Own Correspondent.

JAPAN'S NAVAL ACTIVITY ROUND MACAO

Macao, To-day.

The presence of Japanese warships in the vicinity of the Ladrões was evidenced by searchlight beams lighting up the southern horizon early last night. The powerful lights were clearly perceptible in Macao.

It is learned from a reliable private source that a foreigner who visited Tai Wong Cam last Sunday reported evidences of a camp of Japanese marines on the island. A number of small naval vessels were at rest near it.

At 12.45 p.m. yesterday local residents were startled by two quick ground shocks which were immediately followed by audible sounds of explosion in the distance. Nothing as yet can be ascertained but it is believed that the Japanese have been active somewhere in the neighbourhood.—Our Own Correspondent.

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New Glamour Of The Night

The Spanish Trend In Evening Dress

Evening gowns become quite an event as the Paris season advances, with soirees and galas providing opportunities for elegant Parisiennes and personalities of international social fame to wear glamorous clothes.

The dramatic pose on evening gowns is a new departure, but one that does not interfere with classic styles of modernised type in rich brocade and lame. It is this competitive spirit between classic and modern that makes evening soirees and gala nights in Paris so interesting.

Some of the former gowns "go" almost completely Spanish. One of Paquin's great successes, for example, is a gown of black silk jersey with a flat bow posed towards one side front on the hip and from where a moulded corsage rises upwards on to transparent yoke with long sleeves attached.

Mantilla And Rose

This transparency is concluded by a mantilla fixed to the head by a coloured rose. Mainbocher brings some of the glamour of old Castille to a gown of fine black lace with bars of gleaming gold paillettes glittering across a trailing back panel of heavier black and ecru lace combined. A squared decollete enhances elbow-length sleeves of the lace. In contrast is a black velvet down moulded to the figure ending in a fish-tail

train. This silhouette accentuates diamond-shaped incrusts of sap-phire-blue velvet disposed skilfully over the surface to make its wearer look extra slim.

Waistline swathes are featured on black as well as pine green lagoon day-wear frocks of traditional Molyneux cut and style, but they are coloured in patterned silks. They appear like handkerchiefs folded on the straight with tie ends simply lopping over in front.

"Next time you have to mend gloves, put a clothes peg (the long, old-fashioned ones) into the finger. You will find the mending very easy, as the needle cannot catch on the other side, and you won't sew the fingers together!"

MADE WITH A BAR OF MILK CHOCOLATE

Keep several bars of milk chocolate on hand and many are the delicious wonders these sweet milk bars can perform. For example:

Quick Icing

Melt over hot water 1 cake milk chocolate, and spread while warm over small cakes, or layer cakes. Decorate with nuts or candied fruits. Or try icing tiny cakes with plain white icing flavoured very delicately with mint, and cover when set with melted milk

chocolate. Grate a milk chocolate bar coarsely and sprinkle over small cakes which have been iced with pink, white or orange icing, while the icing is still soft.

Nut Clusters

The most delicious of nut clusters can be made in a few minutes. Pick over whatever nuts are preferred. Melt the milk chocolate over hot water, and put in just one kind of nut at a time. Throw in half a cupful and stir around in the melted chocolate; then take out with a fork and place in little piles on waxed paper. Raisins, popcorn, candied cherries, and candied pineapple may be coated in the same way.

Milk chocolate ice cream is simply delicious. You simply freeze vanilla ice cream as usual, remove the dasher and work in one cake of broken milk chocolate for each quart of ice cream, and pack in ice and salt for two hours before serving.

Milk chocolate bars may also be used to make sauces for puddings or creams. Soften, add a tablespoonful or two of boiling water and your sauce is ready to use.

Colette . . .

If you are flat-chested.



DO

escape that dangerous low neckline with a bow, or flowers across the front of your evening gown. Jabots, or soft collars and buckles through shirring, tucks, etc., are good for day-time.

DON'T

wear evening dresses which have absolutely plain necklines, or during the day frocks and blouses that have no trimming on the front. Fashion this season accentuates the bust—so even when you're making the best of yourself, you can still be up to the minute.

WAXING FLOORS CORRECTLY

Preservation Measure That Saves In Upkeep Work

Wood floors of mellowed beauty are the result not so much of muscular effort to-day, as they are the result of intelligent application of methods and devices which take the drudgery out of housekeeping. Fortunately, not only are modern methods less demanding of physical energy, but they produce better and more lasting results. It is possible now to achieve with very little effort a hard, dry, lustrous finish—one that fairly gleams.

First of all, let us consider the matter of washing the floor. Washing the floor with soap and water, or in the case of stubborn spots with naphtha or other cleansing agents, such as washing soda, is or should be the initial step. Actual "scrubbing" with soap and water is to be avoided, as when the soap is worked into the wood floors the alkali will react on the finish of the floor and cause deterioration. Water tends to darken the wood, so this process should be done with utmost care, and if possible the dirt should be removed with merely a cloth dampened with lukewarm water.

The First Coat Should Be Thin

When the floor is thoroughly dry, then one should apply a thin coat of wax which may be either in paste form or liquid. It has been found that a thin coat of wax polished to a high gloss is a better protection for the floor than a thick one. After the wax has had a chance to dry, which usually requires from 20 to 30 minutes, one should polish to a hard finish, unless the wax is of the liquid sort that requires no polishing. There are several good makes of this no-polishing liquid wax on the market to-day.

This waxing is the housewife's protection against harmful mars in the wood. Among other joys of a waxed floor, too, is that if soiled in spots these spots can merely be cleaned and the additional wax applied will be easy to blend with the older polish. These worn spots are best cleaned with naphtha, because once a floor has been thus waxed, these spots should not be scrubbed with water.

Waxed floors should not be subjected to chemical or oil mop cleaners, since these tend to leave a film. The cleaner, furthermore, may be such that it will soften the hard glaze of the wax. Usually, just a dry floor duster will remove all dust and finer dirt particles. This will be all the care necessary.

Next A Coat Of Paste

Usually, it is a good idea to use the paste polish at least semi-annually for an all-over waxing, and then the liquid for recovering and renewal of soiled spots. The paste polish must of necessity be given a high polish, to be sure that a hard surface is produced, one that will be impervious to dust and dirt. The liquid wax polishes come in either the non-rubbing or rubbing type, and in the case of the former it is important to give the wax sufficient time to dry before one walks on the surface to be sure that no scratches or mars are made in the wax.

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If you are internationally minded, you can sample the dishes of a dozen nations in the area of one city block.

You can eat tamales and tortillas while you listen to Mexican music drawn from queer stringed instruments by players in huge-brimmed hats... you can stroll down Chinatown, have dinner behind the swinging bamboo doors of a chop-suey, and emerge with a pocket full of fortune-telling biscuits, which have a paper slip enclosed in each of them, telling of a dark man over the water or an unexpected legacy.

Or you can be completely Hawaiian in a palm-filled grotto and experiment with poi cocktails, tasting

Or you can go down to the Italian quarter, where the light streams out through the slats of Venetian blinds, where there is noise and laughter and a babel of foreign tongues, as the doors of Lucca's swing open on a continual stream of diners.

"They talk about Lucca's in London," screams a life-size sign over a picture of a top-hatted Englishman escorting a society beauty through what looks like a futurist painting of Piccadilly Circus. When you enter the room you think that a rainbow has split into a thousand fragments, for each table, each chair, and each waiter is dressed in a different colour.

It's a new experience to sit at a lolly pink table, on a jade green chair, to receive your soup from an orange-coated waiter, your spaghetti from one in blue, and to eat your salad from a plate quartered in vivid colours.

The lighting is simple, just candles stuck in empty beer bottles. Weeks of dinners have covered them with a mass of coloured wax that drips down to form fantastic patterns.

CHICKEN IN THE FINGERS

Do you like chicken, and have you any objection to eating it au naturel—that is, without a knife and fork? If you don't mind using your fingers, and you do like chicken, you will find Topsy's Roost a most entertaining and satisfactory place.

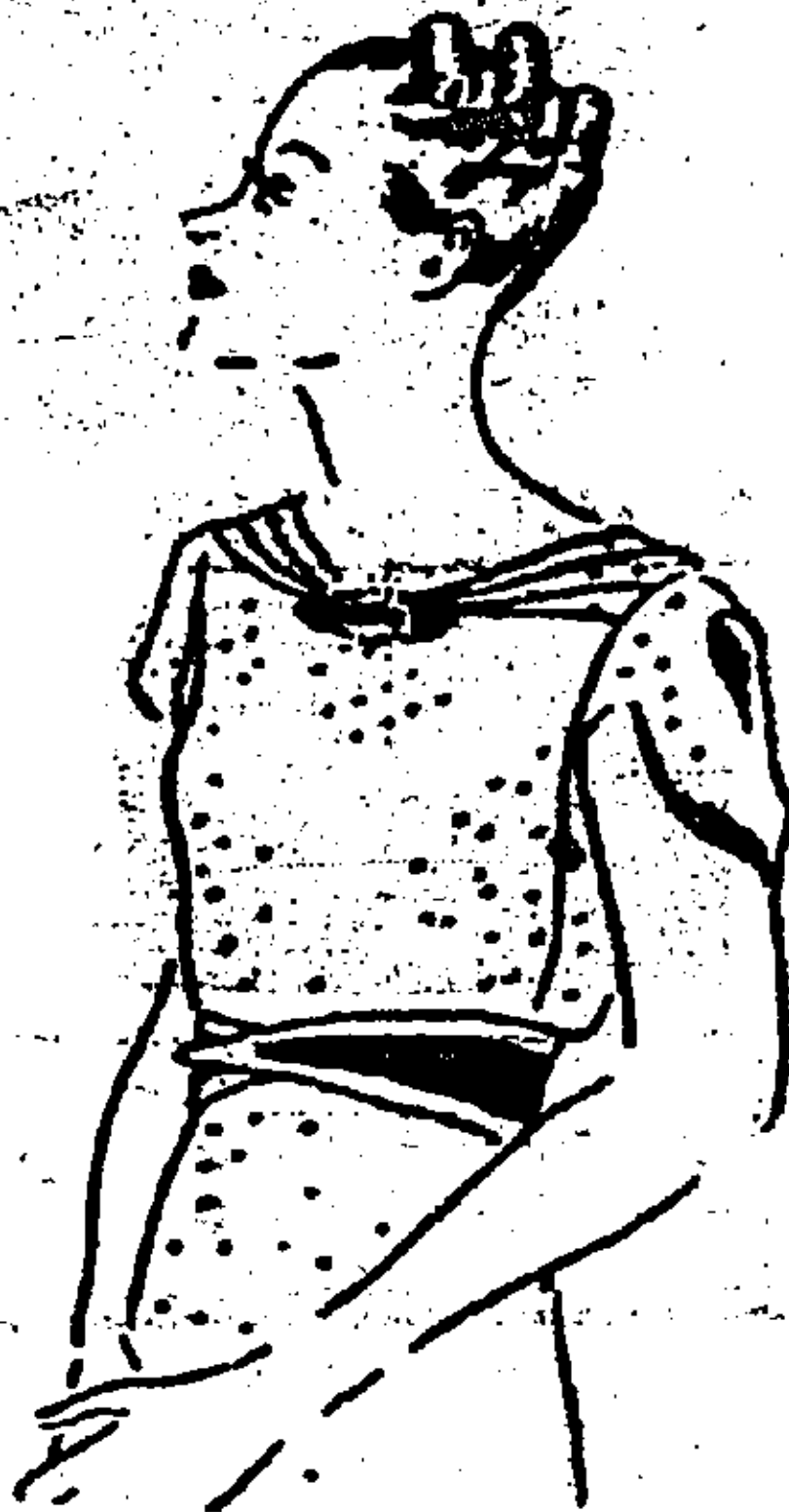
It is perched on the esplanade, looking out over the Golden Gate, and above it is written the proud boast: "We fry more chicken than anyone else in the world." When you look through the windows, you wouldn't dispute it. Dozens of negro "mammies" in spotless white are busy beside vats of boiling fat, into which they plunge baskets of chickens. Fried golden brown, these are placed on cardboard plates and served to hungry diners.

The cooks' white teeth flash as

This girl's arms are fat, so...



She shouldn't wear a frock that shows all her upper arm. Narrow shoulder straps will emphasise its size and give her a top-heavy effect, which spoils the line of any frock.



She should wear a slightly draped shoulder or back panel effect that partly covers the arm. The fit of her sleeves in day dresses is most important. Not too tight, nor too loose. Jackets with sleeves at least to the elbow are good. A little ease over the shoulders works miracles.

COLETTE'S "FASHION FLASH"

they laugh over their work, and their dusky arms are elbow-deep in flour, kneading the biscuits that complete the meal.

Inside the building is a dancing floor, surrounded by tiers of chicken coops on a large scale, each containing a table and chairs, and the walls above are painted with frescoes of chicken-stealing darkies.

If you are seated in the top tier and want to dance, all you have to do is to come down a long slippery slide, which is the favourite means of getting on to the floor. Rather drastic, but quite in keeping with the spirit of Topsy's Roost.

Of course, you can dine in state at a luxury hotel, and have a conventional meal in conventional surroundings, but who would want to do this when there are so many methods of dining with a difference in San Francisco?

Try this recipe for making nougat. It's very easy and requires no cooking. You need 12oz. icing sugar, two egg whites, 5oz. almonds and pistachio nuts, vanilla flavouring. Then make it like this: Blanch the almonds and cut up. Beat the egg whites with the icing sugar till a firm paste forms. Add the nuts and a few drops of the vanilla essence. Spread about half an inch thick on water paper, put another sheet on top, and press between two plates. Leave to dry in a warm place.

"Here's a sweet that children love. Boil 1lb. of sugar slowly in a small teacupful of water, boil for ten minutes without stirring. Take off the fire, then add juice and grated rind of one orange. Stir with a wooden spoon until it becomes creamy, and while still liquid, pour into a jar. It will set like honey."

"Here is a good hint for cleaning electric light bulbs. Wipe the bulb over with a warm flannel thickly coated with household soap. When the soap is dry polish it off with a soft duster. This is a much better way than washing them, as it gives a really good polish, and keeps off the flies in the summer."

"If your clothes have shrunk put them in a steamer, over boiling water for three minutes. Then stretch them whichever way they have shrunk, repeating this once or twice. You will then find them quite all right again."



"Your dinner is cooked in front of your eyes."

rather like castor oil, or struggle through an immense helping of fresh coconut ice cream cake.

Should you want a real American meal, you can patronise one of the palatial chromium-plated snack bars and order fruit salad with your chicken, and watermelon pickle with your grapefruit juice, not half as bad as it sounds.

FOND OF SEA FOOD

Americans are fond of sea food, so the famous Fishermen's Wharf is always crowded at dinner-time. Here is the anchorage of the Italian fishing fleet. Every morning a gaily-coloured procession sets out to sea, singing as they go, and every evening you can buy their catch from the line of stalls edging the wharf.

Shrimps, prawns, lobsters, clams, and oysters are piled up in bewildering confusion. Monster crabs lie on the pavement, legs waving wildly in the air, waiting to be flung into the big boilers that stand in the gutters.

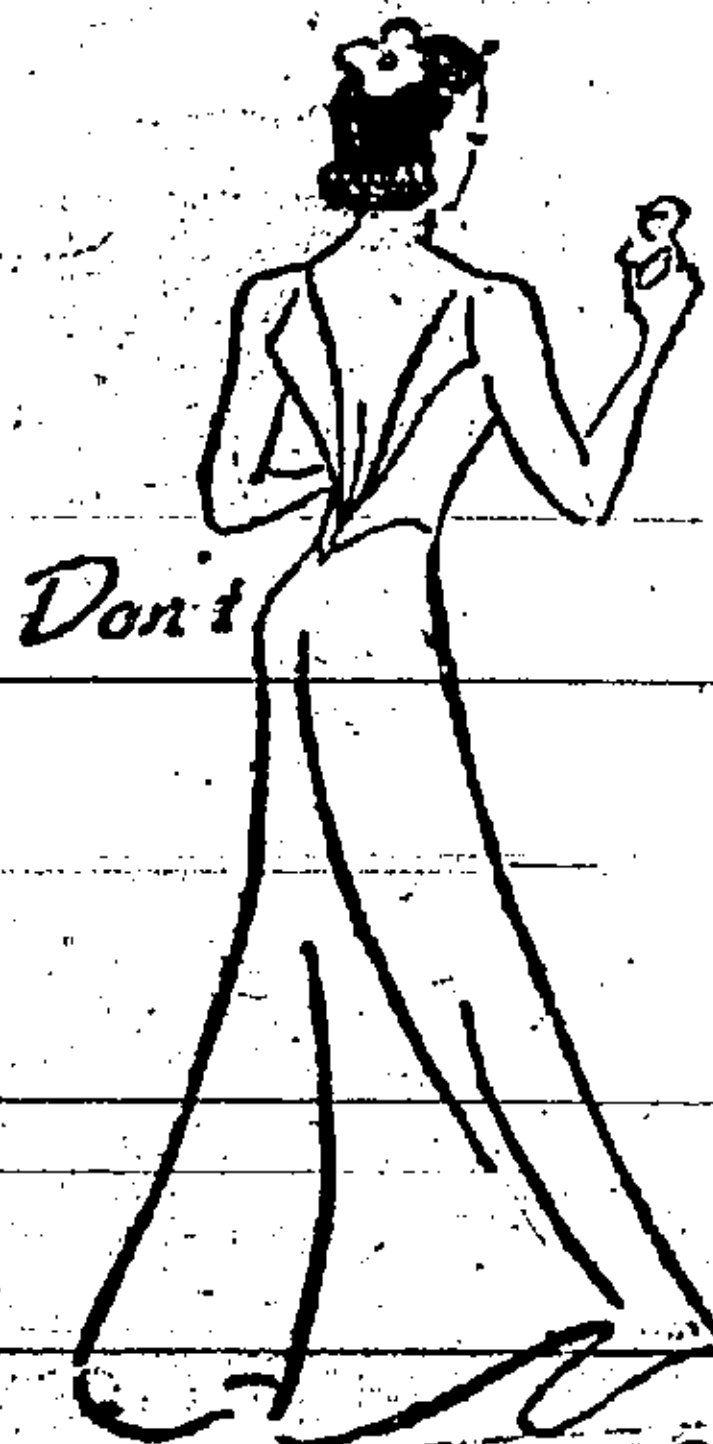
Fires blaze, steam rises, and your dinner is cooked in front of your eyes. There is no need to get out of your car, for they bring the food on trays which hook on to its windows.

POP-EYE'S CAFE

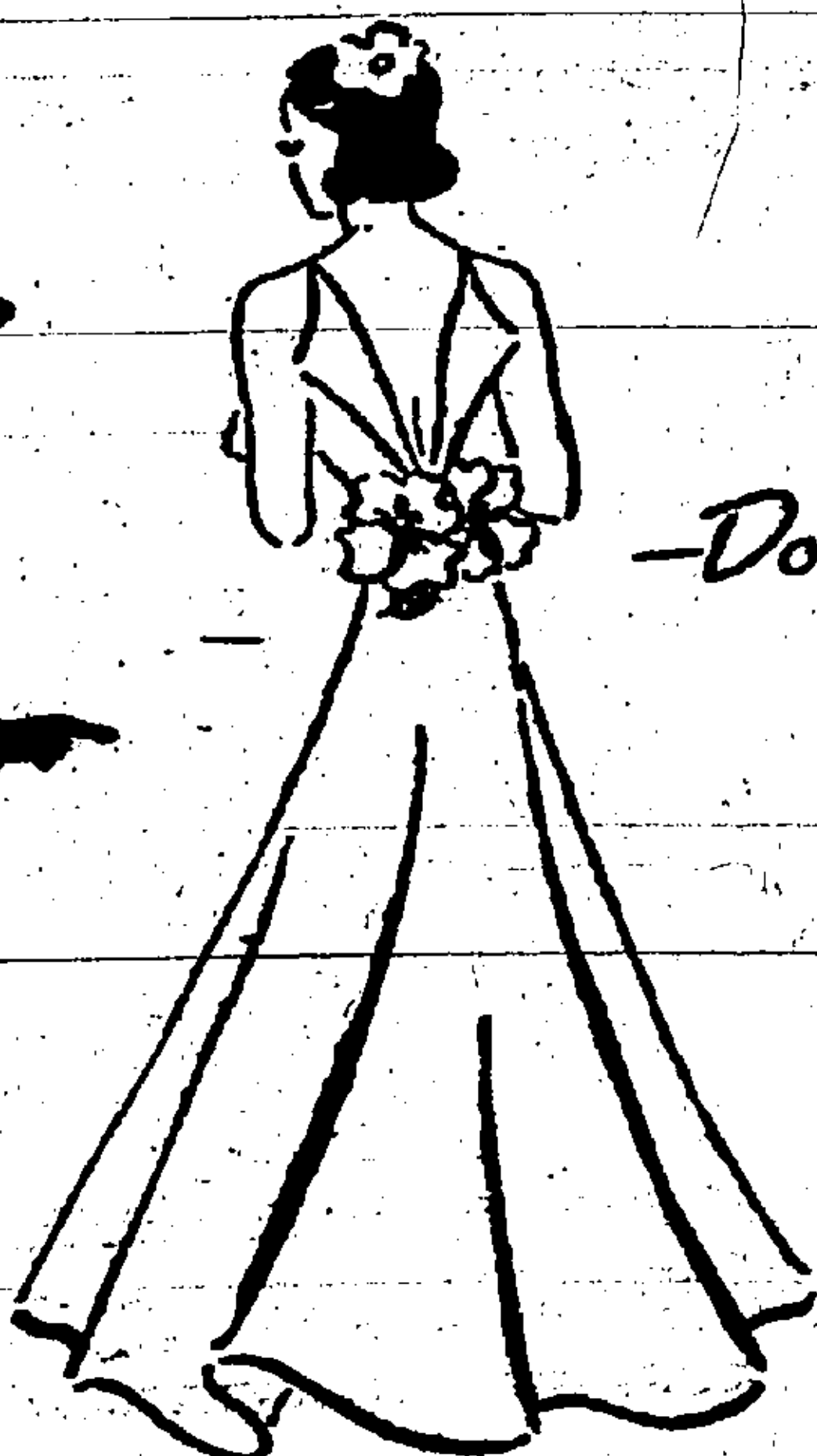
You can have a more elaborate meal at Pop-Eye's Cafe, where nothing but fancy food is served. Through the open porthole beside your table you can watch the little

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Duke Of Windsor Intervenes To Save Spanish Friend

London, To-day.

The story of how a Spanish diplomat was released from prison by the Spanish Government through the efforts of the Duke of Windsor, is told by the "Daily Mail."

THE PAPER STATES THAT THE DIPLOMAT, FORMER CHARGE D'AFFAIRES IN LONDON, WAS ARRESTED LAST YEAR AND SENTENCED TO A LONG TERM OF IMPRISONMENT.

As soon as the Duke of Windsor heard of the arrest, it is reported, he communicated with the British Ambassador at Hendaye, Sir Henry Chilton, who after prolonged negotiations, has at last succeeded in obtaining the prisoner's release.

The paper winds up an interesting story by the still more interesting revelation of how the story was obtained.

It would never have come to light unless the Ambassador, Sir Henry Chilton, had not been robbed of his pocketbook while visiting a London cinema during his recent leave in England.

In the pocketbook were letters from the Duke of Windsor to the Ambassador on the subject—Trans-Ocean.

ALLEGED FRAUD BY LEGAL RUSE ATTEMPT

Allegations that he defrauded his father, by forging a promissory note, having severed connection with his father's firm, So Huen, alias So Suen Alias P. C. So, was arraigned before the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, at the Criminal Sessions this morning on charges of forgery and uttering a forged promissory note.

The jury consisted of Messrs. L. Weill (Foreman), A. Pollock, Lee Chan-kee, M. G. Prata, A. K. Chan, A. W. Harper and J. M. de Conceicao.

The Crown was represented by the Assistant Attorney General, Mr. E. H. Williams. It was alleged that accused signed a promissory note in his own name as managing partner of his father's firm, the Yee Hop Firm, and stamped it with a chop purporting to be the chop of his father. Accused had no authority to act on behalf of the firm.

R.N.R.C. MATSHEDS

The firm erected matsheds and stands for the Royal Navy Recreation Club and an amount of \$1,800 was due to the Yee Hop Firm in July, 1936.

The Crown's case was that the promissory note was made with the object of securing part of that money. The opportunity for the fraud arose sometime in April, 1937 when the father returned to the country. The note, purported to be an acknowledgement by accused, that he had borrowed from Mrs. Tam Shek-shi the sum of \$1,000, interest and principal to be paid at the end of six months. It was dated January 10, 1936.

Continuing, Mr. Williams said that on January 27, 1937 accused together with Mrs. Tam and one Lam Cheung-shi went to the office of Mr. Leo D'Almada, Snr., and there interviewed an interpreter named Mok Chi-fung. Lam did most of the talking at the interview and he was alleged to have stated that accused was the manager of the Yee Hop firm, which was not true as he had then severed his connection with the business. The firm was alleged to have owed Mrs. Tam \$1,400 on two notes and the interpreter was asked to make a draft assignment transferring part of the money due to the business by the Royal Naval Recreation Club to the woman.

WRIT ISSUED

On the instructions of Mrs. Tam, the interpreter proceeded to issue a writ for \$1,000 against accused and the Yee Hop firm. On April 9, 1937 the writ was issued and hearing of the case was fixed for April 16. When the writ was about to be served, accused, although he had nothing to do with the business, went to the firm and there received the summons. When the case was heard, accused was present in Court and said he was the managing partner and consented to judgment.

On April 24, the money was not paid, and Mok wrote a letter to the Yee Hop firm. The father paid no attention to it. The interpreter subsequently telephoned the father and asked him to go to his office. On being shown the document he found the chop was false, and accordingly refused to pay the money.

GARNISHEE ORDER

Sometime in June, the interpreter, on instructions, proceeded to obtain a garnishee order, directing the Hon. Secretary of the R.N.R.C. not to pay the money to the Yee Hop firm but to Mrs. Tam. The order was granted and accordingly the R.N.R.C. paid the money into Court. The father learned of this only when he called at the R.N.R.C. and asked for payment.

When charged accused asked for the arrest of Mok and Lam saying that they had taught him how to arrange it. The case is continuing.

A VIOLIN RECITAL

Hongkong music lovers will have an opportunity of hearing Mr. Henry C. dos Remedios with Mrs. A. W. da Roza (Piano) at a Violin Recital which will be held at the Club de Recreio on Saturday at 9.00 p.m.

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SMALLPOX EPIDEMIC

With another six cases of smallpox reported to the Health Authorities yesterday, the total since the beginning of the year has now reached 82.

Of yesterday's cases, four were from Victoria and two from Kowloon.

Seven cases of dysentery were also reported yesterday, as well as three of enteric fever and one of diphtheria.

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LONDON ISSUES FURTHER JOINT STATEMENT ON SINGAPORE MANOEUVRES

London, To-day.

Regarding the forthcoming manoeuvres in Malaya from February 2 to February 5, the Admiralty, War Office and Air Ministry have issued a statement to the effect that the exercises are for the purpose of testing the various aspects of the defences.

The new batteries recently installed will obtain their first opportunity to engage targets in mimic warfare.

Advantage is being taken by the presence of additional warships to open the new dock with appropriate ceremony.

ARCHBISHOP OF CANTERBURY AND GERMANY

London, To-day:

Presiding at the opening session of the Convocation of Canterbury yesterday, the Archbishop of Canterbury said they could not contemplate the present world situation without grave anxiety and, indeed, dismay.

The war in China was giving a sinister warning of what any war on a wider scale would mean to civilisation.

In the midst of the confusion in the world they could only hope the British Commonwealth of Nations would be an influence for peace and remain on terms of friendship with all nations and of enmity with none.

There were obviously two lines of policy which ought to be followed. The first was to maintain and strengthen cooperation with the United States of America. The second was to do their utmost, while continuing the established friendship with France, to reach a friendly understanding with Germany.

HITLER AND PEACE

Such an understanding would for certain contribute greatly to the general appeasement of Europe. He

The new dock, the statement goes on, was planned 17 years ago, not because of any threat by or to any Power, but as a common sense insurance and British Empire guard for the trade routes.

Defensive measures against air attacks have been receiving much attention and the civil Government is co-operating regarding the practice of "blackouts."

It is not intended that a "blackout" be applied to the whole island of Singapore, but tests will be confined to certain parts so as not to inconvenience the inhabitants.

100 PLANES

The aircraft participating with the additional squadrons from India and Iraq total considerably over 100 and will provide an additional practice in rapid movement of air reinforcements from distant commands.

The defending force will be commanded by Major General Dobbie and Air Vice-Marshal A. W. Tedder.—Reuter.

wanted to see a fuller and more generous recognition of the words of Herr Hitler about his desire to do all possible to maintain the peace of Europe. Yet conviction of the value of such Anglo-German rapprochement suffered by reason of the interference by the State with the activities of the Church. He had repeatedly asked the authorities of the Reich, and he asked them again, why should they disturb Britain and other countries who were most anxious to be on friendly terms with Germany by those continued acts of interference.—British Wire-

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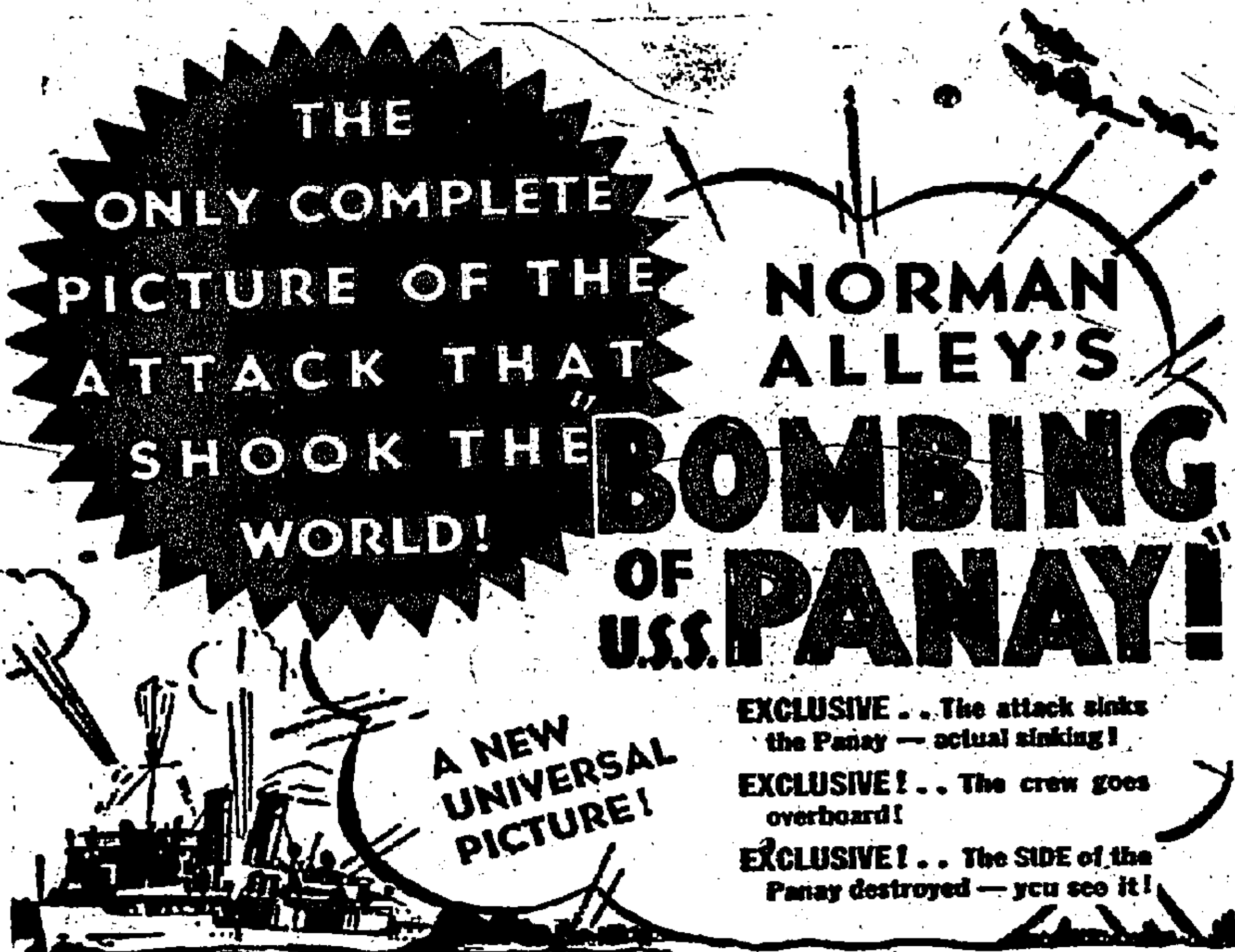
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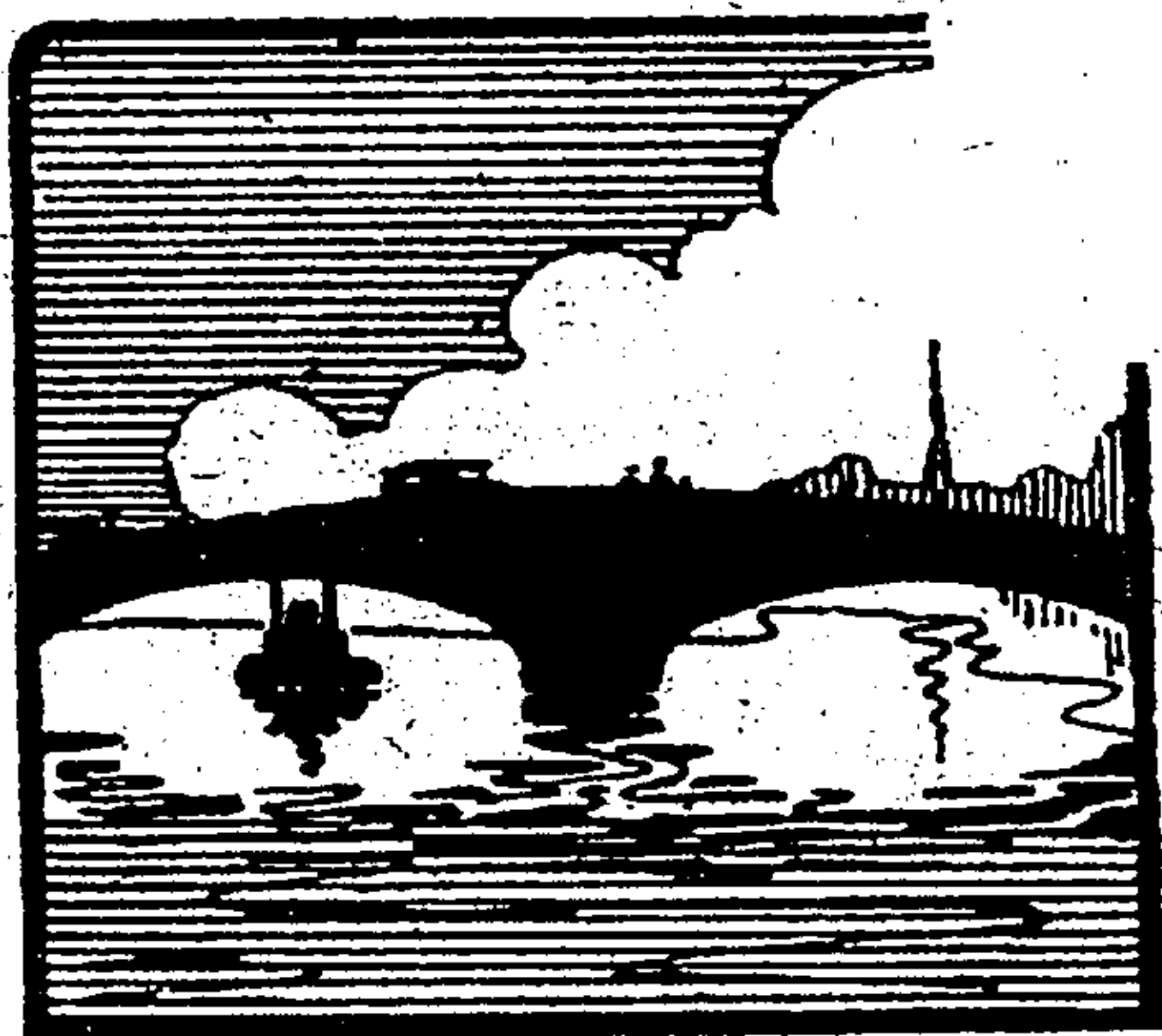
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PEIPING DECREE

Tokyo, To-day.

The "provisional government" at Peiping has issued a decree prohibiting future use of the name "Peiping" to designate the ancient capital of China.

The decree says that it must be known by its former name of "Peking."—Trans-Ocean.

BARCELONA RAID TRAGEDIES

Barcelona, To-day.

Yesterday's raid on Barcelona by insurgent planes resulted in the killing of 220 and the wounding of over 400, according to the Defence Ministry.—Reuter.

GENERAL HAN FU-CHU ARRESTED AND BEING TRIED BY COURT-MARTIAL

Hankow, To-day.

The Generalissimo's headquarters has officially announced that upon Marshal Chiang Kai-shek's orders, General Han Fu-chu was arrested on January 11 and handed over to the Director-General for the enforcement of military law for trial by a special military court organised for the purpose.

The trial is at present progressing. General Han Fu-chu being charged with, firstly, having disobeyed orders from his superior commanders and retreated on his own accord.

Secondly, with the forced sale of opium upon the people of Shantung. Thirdly, by force, having extracted taxes and levies from the people. Fourthly, with having seized public funds and

Fifthly, with having deprived the people of Shantung of their fire-arms.—Reuter.

CHINESE SUCCESSES

Hankow, To-day.

Chinese successes are reported from different fronts both in Tsin-ting in the Province of Shantung and also in the neighbourhood of Wuhu on the Yangtse River above Nanking. In the war zone along the Tientsin-Pukow Railway in Shantung, no major battle has yet occurred, according to reports which, however, declare that the Chinese are nevertheless exercising considerable pressure.—Trans-Ocean.

ADVANCE TO CHUFU

Hankow, To-day.

On the eastern side of the Tientsin-Pukow Railway the Chinese troops have advanced to Chufu, where large bodies of Japanese troops have been concentrated to meet the menace.

Unconfirmed reports state that the Japanese have been landing troops in Tsingtao, the men having been withdrawn from the Hangchow front.

This weakening of the Hangchow front by the Japanese is expected by Chinese circles here to lead to further Chinese successes on that front.—Trans-Ocean.

SCHNEIDER TROPHY FLIER GIVEN COMMAND

London, To-day.

Group Captain A. H. Orlebar, who was officer in charge of the British Schneider Trophy teams in 1929 and 1931 and who, for the past year, has been at the Imperial Defence College, has been appointed to command the R.A.F. station at Northolt.

In 1929 he made what was then the world's record speed of 357.7 miles an hour in the machine which three days earlier had won the Trophy. This record was beaten in 1931 by the Trophy team of that year, with a new record of 407.5 miles an hour.—British Wireless.

Some-one yesterday entered the transit shed at Wellington Barracks, and stole drills, tool and engineer stores to the value of £3,182½d.

ROOSEVELT LOOKING FOR NEW BRAINS TRUST

Washington, To-day.

President Roosevelt has informed Mr. Daniel C. Roper, Secretary for Commerce, and the National Business Advisory Council, that he has planned a new advisory group to consult with the Administration on all matters of Federal policies.

This step is in accord with the President's wish for advisory machinery to represent all elements entering into legislative and administrative policy.—Reuter.

NATIONAL FITNESS CAMPAIGN

London, To-day.

The King and Queen are to attend an evening reception at the Guildhall on February 17, given by the Lord Mayor on behalf of the National Fitness Campaign.

The King will make a speech to the delegates at the reception and His Majesty's speech will be broadcast by the B.B.C.—British Wireless.

FIVE-DOLLAR NOTE FORGERIES

Lee Wai-keung, unemployed, was this morning charged before Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Magistracy with possession of 150 five-Yuan notes of the Bank of China, on the Tung On Wharf, knowing the same to be forgeries.

Sergeant Soutar, in charge of the case, asked for 24 hours' remand which was granted.

CAR OVERTURNS

While driving car No. 2144 in Nathan Road yesterday, near the junction of Prince Edward Road, Mrs. B. E. Field had a narrow escape in an accident caused in an attempt to avoid a collision with a lorry. She braked hard and swerved with the result that her car turned over on its side. Mrs. Field was unhurt except for slight shock.

The R.M.S. "Empress of Russia" will leave here for Victoria and Vancouver, B.C., via Shanghai, at 6 a.m. on January 26 (Wednesday).

BRITAIN'S AIR DEFENCE ACROSS SOUTH CHINA SEA

Four Squadrons At Singapore To Be Expanded

Full Extent Of New Programme Not Revealed

London, To-day.

With reference to the increase in Singapore's air force, announced yesterday, it is learned in London that the present strength of air units in Singapore amounts to four squadrons, two of which, totalling twelve machines each, are torpedo bomber squadrons, and the other two flyingboat squadrons of four machines each. The total to which Singapore air strength will eventually be increased is unknown, but since the beginning of Britain's air expansion, strengthening of the air force in Singapore has been envisaged.

MOSCOW TAKES ACTION TO AVERT CRISIS

Moscow, To-day.

A decree ordering immediate cessation of indiscriminate wholesale expulsions from the Communist Party is explained by the official newspaper "Pravda."

The decree provides for disposition within three months of cases of tens of thousands of Party members who have appealed against expulsions instigated by local Party leaders, prohibits discharge from work for loss of Party membership, and orders reinstatement within fifteen days of all who have lost their positions.

The decree does not terminate the "purge."

OVER-ZEALOUS

On the contrary, "Pravda" declares, the struggle against the Trotskyites is not finished, and all free and unfree enemies of the Party must be stamped out, but it means reinstatement of innocents expelled by over-zealous provincial Party bosses.

At the same time, wide publicity is given to the resolution of the Supreme Court ordering enforcement of the guarantee of the right to work.

Persons discharged for incompetence must be found other employment.

JUDICIAL ATTITUDE

The decrees are held as ushering the end of bureaucratic bossism, and a more judicial attitude is expected for persons suspected of political unreliability.

Citizens will be freed of responsibility for the political crimes of their relatives.—Reuter.

VAGUE CHARGES

Moscow, To-day.

The decree of the Central Executive Committee on expulsions of Party members, is given great pro-

The Singapore flying boats have a range of 1,000 miles without refuelling.

In the event of emergency, they could, by using existing facilities at Kuching, Kudat and elsewhere on the Borneo coast, throw a reconnaissance patrol practically across the South China Sea, thus giving ample warning of any impending attack against Singapore, whether by naval units or by an attempt to land troops on the long eastern coastline of the mainland.

Air reinforcements can speedily be sent to Singapore from India and Iraq.—Reuter.

BALLOON BARRAGE DEFENCE

London, To-day.

It is understood that the establishment of a depot in connection with the proposed balloon barrage—part of the air defence of London—at Kenton, Middlesex, is under consideration by the Air Ministry.—British Wireless.

JEWS SENTENCED TO DEATH

Jerusalem, To-day.

For the first time since the establishment of the military courts in Jerusalem, two Jews were sentenced to death yesterday for carrying firearms and ammunition.

Up to the present time only Arabs had been sentenced for offences of this nature.—Trans-Ocean.

MR. SUN FO IN MOSCOW

Moscow, To-day.

Mr. Sun Fo, who is on a special mission, has arrived here.—Reuter.

minence in all the newspapers. The papers criticise strongly Party officials who have expelled members on the vague charge of their being "enemies of the people." "Pravda" calls these local officials "wolves in sheep's clothing."—Trans-Ocean.

BRITISH RAILWAY RECEIPTS

London, To-day.

Traffic returns of the chief railways in England for the first two weeks of the New Year, show a total increase of £190,000 compared with the same period last year. Part of the increase is accounted for by the 5 per cent. increase in passenger and freight fares.—Reuter.

STAR FERRY'S BIGGER DIVIDEND

The "Star" Ferry Company, Limited, report that, subject to audit, the amount at Credit of Profit and Loss Account for the year ended 31st December 1937 is

.....	\$457,024.78
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The amount brought forward from the year 1936 being	16,828.00
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the total now available for distribution is	\$313,852.78
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This Company has benefited from the abnormal conditions which existed in the latter part of 1937, and at the forthcoming Yearly Meeting of Shareholders the Directors will recommend appropriations as follows:

To pay a Final Dividend of \$3.75 per share	\$300,000.00
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EVEN BACK DOOR CLOSED SAYS KAWAGOE

Shanghai, To-day.

The Japanese Ambassador to China, Mr. Kawagoe, told pressmen here yesterday that he will leave China for Tokyo within the next few days "in accordance with instructions from my Government."

The Councillor of the Embassy, Mr. Hidaka, and other members of the Embassy staff, will remain in China.

These officials, Mr. Kawagoe stated, will remain in China "not in order to negotiate with the Chinese Central Government but merely to discuss with other diplomatic representatives in Shanghai, diplomatic matters that may have to be examined in future."

Mr. Kawagoe declared that not even the back door for resumption of negotiations between China and Japan had been left open, and that the Chinese Central Government, "if it should reconsider its attitude in future, will then have to deal with the new administration of China and not with Japan."

"A new regime," he said, "will shortly be established in Central China."—Trans-Ocean.

A Meeting of the Hong Kong University Engineering Society will be held on Monday at 8.45 p.m. in Room "K" when Mr. Eric Wong-tape, B.Sc., A.M.I.C.E., A.M.I. Struct. E., will deliver a lecture entitled "The Chien Tang River Bridge, Hangchow."

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THE WORLD GOES BY

It has dawned upon me, of late, that there is some opposition to the Bedaux system, which, you remember, accounted for cancellation of the Duke of Windsor's visit to the United States.

One may go further, and say that Mr. Bedaux has somehow or other got himself disliked. And, doubtless, he would go into the garden and eat worms if someone would show him how to eat two worms where only one was eaten before.

I will admit that, at first glance, there are one or two points about the system that require explanation before it is universally adopted as a pleasant way of spending a half-holiday.

The purpose of the system is to save time, energy and money, and increase the output of the worker by showing him how to use his energy in the most economic way. It measures labour-power by a unit of effort and speed, called "B" unit, which happens to be also what the

worker generally calls it. If the workers exceed 88 B's per hour, they get a percentage of the increase on their wages, which they will probably call a B. wave of prosperity.

An Awful Waste

Broadly speaking then, it is designed to make the worker more efficient. To give you a rough idea—imagine a man learning to use two hands instead of one, and when he can do that, to use his feet as well. From thence he rises on stepping-stones of his half-dead selves until he can at the same time knock nails in with his nose and sweep the floor with a broom harnessed to his behind.

And when he has reached that stage of efficiency, if he isn't counting the buttons on the wall of a padded cell, he starts learning how to do the whole thing in half the

time. Yet somehow the workers do not regard this as an enticing vision. First, they want to know who will get the saved money, how they will be expected to spend the saved time, and who will get increased production.

No answer is yet forthcoming. The experts don't even know where production goes in the ordinary way, let alone under a Bedaux system, though I hear that a number of scientists have promised to look into the matter as soon as they have discovered where flies go in late Autumn.

To understand the system properly, you must grasp the motive behind it. Mr. Bedaux's object is to stop the awful waste of time and energy that goes on everywhere. He sees men taking twenty seconds to do something that might be done in ten, moving three feet when they might move only 18 inches, and performing two actions

when one might suffice.

Love Units

He is saddened by the sight of mankind going through life with a prodigal waste of time and energy, throwing away seconds and inches as if they were inexhaustible, and kissing the same girl twice when a single operation would convey the same aggregation of love-units.

To him, life is but a narrow bridge between the two eternities full of nothing. The universe is rapidly running down, and we can't afford to waste any energy.

"Should swift death this night o'ertake thee," he says, panting with impatience, "and thy couch become thy tomb (or, if thou art on a nightshift, should it o'ertake thee in the morning), think how rotten you'd feel if you'd only driven in 995 rivets instead of a possible thousand!"

It is said that he once walked out in disgust in the middle of "Romeo and Juliet." He said the balcony scene was a lamentable example of the waste of man-power.

"Why can't Romeo wait till Juliet comes downstairs," he asked, "and

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thus save all the time and energy spent in climbing up the side of the house?"

Some of you may regard this state of mind as bordering on obsession. You may even ask whether he wouldn't be better under observation.

Universal Efficiency

But you must understand that Mr. Bedaux is an idealist. His whole soul is possessed of a beautiful vision of universal Efficiency.

Just as a certain political party looks into the future and sees each separate personality merged into the unity of a single dominant race, so Mr. Bedaux sees each individual worker merged into the glorified Oneness of a single dominant machine.

He reverses Carlyle's definition of man as a tool-using animal, and thinks the world would be run more efficiently if the tools used man.

Unfortunately, this lofty conception is opposed to deep-rooted prejudices. Man persists in thinking he ought to use tools, not to be one. Regarding himself as possessed of an immortal soul, he is loth to abandon his status of homo sapiens and rank himself with tin-openers and squeegees.

Nevertheless, Mr. Bedaux, undaunted, will strive to go on cutting seconds off eternity and inches off infinite space.

By the gradual application of scientific principles, he hopes that the worker will ultimately become so tied up in the machinery that he won't know which is which; and he looks forward to the day when, if you ask a working man to have a drink, he will say, "Squeak! Squeak!" and open his month for the oil-can.

Then will true Efficiency have been achieved and the aim of modern civilisation realised. Man will have become part of the machine, and the god will have turned into a gadget.



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STABILITY OF CHAUTEmps CABINET DOUBTED IN LONDON

Uncertainty Of Plans And Policy Of 'Popular Front'

M. LEON BLUM'S AUTHORITY IN DECLINE

London, To-day.

Prospects of the new Chautemps Government are characterised by several London newspapers as not especially favourable, opinion being that the Cabinet will be short-lived.

"The Times" says that M. Leon Blum's authority in his party has declined in recent weeks.

Activities in the French Chamber, says the journal, will play a decisive role in determining the future of the Radical-Socialist Government and also the Social-Democratic Party.

The "Daily Telegraph" sees danger in the fact that uncertainty exists as to what extent members of the Popular Front are in agreement among themselves regarding future policy.—Trans-Ocean.

PREMIER'S PROBLEM

Paris, To-day.

The new Chautemps Government, which contains 18 Radical-Socialists and two Republican Socialists, will control only 160 votes out of 623 in the Chamber of Deputies.

In addition to these, of which 111 are Radical-Socialists, 26 Republican Socialists and 25 Independent Leftists, M. Chautemps can rely on 156 Social-Democrats.

Roughly, the new Premier will have possible support of 318 votes as against the opposition's 407.—Trans-Ocean.

FRENCH APPROVAL

Paris, To-day.

The French press has generally approved of the new Chautemps Government. New Cabinet members paid a traditional call on the President yesterday morning and the first Cabinet meeting has been convened for to-morrow.—Reuter.

CABINET'S AIM

Paris, To-day.

In a statement to the press last night, M. Camille Chautemps emphasised that the Government would do everything to comply with the wish for social reforms and the safety of the country's defences.

M. Chautemps said that he and M. Edouard Daladier would reorganise the Ministries of National Defence.—Trans-Ocean.

CABINET COUNCIL

Paris, To-day.

First Cabinet Council of the new Chautemps Government will take place this afternoon, and the first Council of Ministers to-morrow morning.—Trans-Ocean.

TURNING FROM MOSCOW?

Paris, To-day.

Rightist newspapers in Paris suggest that the new Chautemps Government is turning from Moscow towards London and Washington.

The papers cite a speech made by the Finance Minister, M. Georges Bonnet, in which he said that France would have to strengthen the basis of her co-operation with the other two great democracies, Britain and the United States.

M. Bonnet said that during his term as Ambassador in Washington, he had received many touching testimonies of American sympathy for France.—Trans-Ocean.

GLOOMY VIEW OF WORLD WHEAT PROSPECTS

London, To-day.

A gloomy view of wheat prospects is taken by the Secretariat of the Wheat Advisory Committee which, after an exhaustive survey of the situation concludes with this statement:

In the absence of a concerted effort to deal with the problem of surplus wheat production, the return of the catastrophic wheat purchasing power of the early thirties in overseas countries is inevitable.

If world consumption is maintained at recent levels, it will fall short of the current production by 10 per cent.

Low wheat prices will not carry their own cure as experience in the past decade showed, when low prices caused an extension only of animal and not of human consumption.

The Secretariat estimates for 1937-38 world net exports at 520,000,000 bushels as compared with the estimates of the International Institute for Agriculture and the Food Research Institute of 535 and 550 million bushels, respectively.

The world net exports for the next few years will not exceed an average of 550 million bushels, which forecast is most likely to be too high then, but ignores the possible accumulation of emergency reserve stocks in certain European countries.—Reuter.

HANGCHOW "AUTONOMY"

Shanghai, To-day.

An "autonomous committee" has been formed in Hangchow, capital of Chekiang, says a Japanese report.

The committee is said to be headed by the former police commissioner of Greater Shanghai.—Trans-Ocean.

Miss D. Dodwell has reported that while shopping at the Boston Shoe Store yesterday she lost a hand bag containing money and jewellery to the value of \$43.

CANTON EXPORT MOTOR TRUCKS TO BE MANNED FOR DEFENCE

Canton, To-day.

In spite of the business outlook in Canton, which appears to be slackening rather than improving, foreign shippers here state that large scale exports continue, particularly in regard to several commodities from central and west China provinces.

These commodities, which formerly reached the coast via the Yangtze, are now obliged to be sent by rail to Canton and thence to Hong Kong.

One of the shipments being handled in large quantities is wood-oil in barrels, which was formerly shipped in bulk from Hankow and other up-river ports to Shanghai.—Reuter.

FRENCH TRADE

Paris, To-day.

The French foreign trade balance for 1937, just published, shows an import surplus of 18,380,000,000 francs.—Trans-Ocean.

Singapore Raw Rubber

Messrs. H. B. Joseph and Co., have received the following quotations in Straits Currency for Raw Rubber:

February/March 24 by Up ¼.
April/June 24-½ b. Up ¼.
July/September 24-½ b. Up ¼.
Market: Steady.

LOCAL DOLLAR

The demand rate on the Hong Kong dollar this morning was 1/2½.

"Spot" silver was quoted in London yesterday at 20½ and forward at 20½.

The London on New York rate was quoted at £-U.S.\$4.9987 and the New York on London rate £-U.S.\$4.997½.

Drivers of the motor-trucks of the Canton-Kowloon Highway Transport Company, are reported to be expert in the use of various types of guns, as well as truck drivers.

The Company has now 75 experienced drivers but has not yet attempted to use the new road to Canton.

The men, as reported previously, are all Shanghai Chinese, and will be equipped with arms immediately on crossing into Chinese territory, the purpose being to protect them from raids by Japanese planes.

The vehicles will be used not only on the road to Canton but also on highways in the interior.

BREAST POCKET INVITATION?

Mr. R. Edwards sentenced Li Tim, an unemployed tailor, to two months' imprisonment when he was found guilty of the theft of a fountain pen, valued at \$29, from Mr. Shou J. Chen, the manager of the Bank of China, in Ice House Street yesterday.

Mr. Chen said defendant bumped into him. He heard the click of his pen and turning round caught the defendant who had in the meantime passed the pen to another Chinese who made off.

N.E.I. CANARD

Berlin, To-day.

Informed quarters in Berlin "regard with astonishment" reports in Chinese newspapers that an agreement for partition of the Netherlands East Indies has been reached between Japan and Germany.—Trans-Ocean.



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JAPAN'S FINANCES

As the area of the Sino-Japanese conflict steadily widens, the importance of the time element becomes increasingly evident. It is necessary for Japan not only to win, but to win with a reasonable degree of speed if there is to be a good prospect of harvesting the fruits of victory. Time works, in the main, for China and against Japan.

War Minister Gen. Hajime Sugiyama, in a recent statement to a group of members of the Japanese Diet, set forth in the following words Japan's policy of seeking an early decision:

It is the earnest wish of the Japanese Government to end the present situation as soon as possible. With this desire in view, it has been decided to open positive military operations, instead of fighting the Chinese when they attack as in the past, so that China will realise as early as possible that she should not take an antagonistic attitude against Japan. We will, therefore, not be caught by China's tactics of purposely prolonging the incident.

There are three good reasons why Japan wishes to impose its terms of settlement on China as quickly as possible. First, and most obvious, is the straitened position of the state finances, of which yesterday's warning to the Japanese nation by Baron Goh provided ample evidence. Even before the outbreak of fighting in China in July the Japanese Finance Ministry reckoned with a deficit of almost one billion yen.

Moreover, Japan's gold reserve is worth only about half a billion dollars—not a large chest for a modern war, especially as it would be very risky to exhaust all financial reserves in a conflict with China, when a much more dangerous potential enemy, the Soviet Union, re-

mains in the background. A nation at war must always curtail exports and increase imports. The demand for essential war materials grows. Industries which normally serve the export trade are, in part, at least, turned to war uses.

A second reason why Japan desires a quick decision is that every additional month, even every additional week or day of struggle makes it more difficult to preserve the fiction that there is no war and increases the possibilities of friction with other powers.

It is inevitable that, as the war assumes a more widespread and protracted character, the injury to foreign commercial interests in China will increase. And there are bound to be more and more issues on which Japanese military and naval officers and foreign business men and diplomatic and consular representatives will not see eye to eye.

A third reason for seeking as speedy and decisive a solution as possible is Japan's technical military superiority to China. Given their many advantages in staff work, training of officers and men and provision with modern weapons, the Japanese military leaders could desire nothing better than an early "showdown."

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Yugo-Slavia's Policy

An understanding between Italy and Yugo-Slavia was long regarded as one of the essentials for lasting European peace, and France, before any country, was eager that it should be achieved. The present understanding, however, owes nothing to the good offices of France and much to the diminished strength of the League, the rearmament of Germany, and Italy's new designs. Yugo-Slavia is a small country; only Austria separates it from Germany and only the Adriatic from Italy. Thus Yugo-Slavia has lately striven—as Poland, another country set among giants—to take the middle way between conflicting alliances. The first gesture to Italy was made by Yugo-Slavia in her Concordat with the Vatican in 1935. Italy next prompted discussions between Yugo-Slavia and Bulgaria, and the pact of friendship between the two countries at the beginning of this year ended their long disputes over frontiers and minorities. In March the movement towards Italy came to a climax in the Belgrade pact of trade and friendship, by which Yugo-Slavia recognised the Italian hold over Albania and Italy promised to give kinder treatment to the Yugo-Slav minorities around Trieste and Fiume. The commercial part of the treaty was enlarged during the recent visit of M. Stoyadinovitch to Rome. M. Delbos, however, during his visit to Belgrade did not find that there had been any lessening of Yugo-Slavia's regard for France—the earlier visits of the Yugo-Slav Prime Minister to Paris and London showed that it was as warm as ever—or that Yugo-Slavia has, at any rate, any immediate intention of joining the anti-Communist pact, nor does the visit, just concluded, of M. Stoyadinovitch to Berlin, contain any hint that Belgrade is drawing away from Paris. Yugo-Slavia's policy is natural in the present state of the world to countries which are set between the great and turbulent

KONOYE'S ANXIETY TO APPEASE BRITAIN

Offsetting Challenging Outburst Of Admiral Suetsugu

MR. DE VALERA'S MESSAGE TO IRISH ABROAD

London, To-day.

At the close of the Anglo-Irish talks in London yesterday, the Irish Premier, Mr. Eamonn de Valera, sent through Reuter the following message to Irish people abroad:

"I am hopeful that the present discussions will end in improving our relations with our neighbour."

"We throughout have emphasised that the ending of partition and restoration of unity in Ireland is the essential foundation for establishment of real understanding and friendship between the peoples of the two countries."

DIFFICULTIES GREAT

"The difficulties ahead of us are great but our discussions have been conducted in a frank and friendly atmosphere."

"We ask all people of goodwill to assist us in removing these difficulties."

Mr. de Valera looked well and cheerful in spite of the heavy work entailed by the talks.—Reuter.

LUNCH AT NO. 10

Between the morning and afternoon meetings, Mr. De Valera had lunch with Mr. Neville Chamberlain at No. 10, Downing Street.

The Ministers of the Government of Eire are leaving this morning for Dublin. Last night, Mr. De Valera had a further meeting with Mr. Malcolm Macdonald at the former's hotel in order to give some further consideration to the future programme.

It is anticipated in London that the adjournment will last for only a few weeks and that in the interval, a full examination of the details concerning financial and trade questions will be made by officials of the two governments.

TRADE PACT

In regard to trade, the endeavour will be to work out details which should lead to a comprehensive agreement. For the purpose, Mr. De Valera is leaving behind several officials in order that work may be begun with officials of the United Kingdom at once.—British Wire- less.

DEFENCE DISCUSSED

After finishing the trade discussions in the morning, the British and Eire delegations met again yesterday afternoon, the talks terminating at 4.05 p.m.

It is understood that defence was one of the principal subjects reviewed.

OFFICIALS TO CARRY ON

The final communique states that the discussions have proceeded far enough to justify more detailed examination of a number of points by officials of the respective Governments.

This examination will proceed forthwith. Pending its completion, the meetings of Ministers will be suspended and resumed as long as is necessary.—Reuter.

London Mystified By Japanese Shades Of Values

London, To-day.

The reference made to Britain by the Japanese Premier, Prince Konoye, in his statement yesterday, is thought in London to be aimed at offsetting the challenging attitude adopted by Admiral Suetsugu, the Home Minister, in his recent pronouncement.

It is believed here that responsible circles in Japan do not wish to cause direct offence to Britain, or to allow Anglo-Japanese relations to deteriorate.

Japanese policy towards the Peiping "government" is understood to be in line with Japan's declared enmity to General Chiang Kai-shek's regime, and it is considered obvious that the Peiping "government" is completely under Japanese control and does not necessarily represent Chinese opinion.

The statement by the secretary of the Japanese Cabinet that the Japanese in announcing the intention not to deal with the Chinese Government, have taken a stronger step than withdrawal of recognition or declaration of war, is considered in London as mystifying.

Withdrawal of diplomatic representatives already implies refusal to deal with China, but is not considered here as strong a measure as a declaration of war would be.—Reuter.

PINGLU IN NORTH SHANSI RECAPTURED

Hankow, To-day.

Military Headquarters has received a telegram from Linfeng, present seat of the Shansi provincial government, stating that "as a result of a swift counter-attack, Chinese troops recaptured Pinglu, in North Shansi, situated north-west of Ningwu Pass on the inner Great Wall, on January 13."

Capture of Pinglu is said to have considerably improved the position of the Chinese forces operating in North Shansi.—Reuter.

FIRED AT POLICE INVESTIGATORS

Jerusalem, To-day.

An Arab peasant has been sentenced to death by a military court for firing at the Police during investigations of the murder of the archaeologist, Mr. J. J. Starkey.—Reuter.

GERMANY'S PESSIMISM ON CHINA OUTLOOK

Paris, To-day.

"Developments in the Far East are not much to Germany's liking," says "Le Temps," in a leading article on the German attempts at mediation between China and Japan.

"Germany," the paper states, "takes a rather pessimistic view of the situation which will result for her following definite Japanese occupation of large slices of China."

"The example of Manchukuo, where German trade is steadily declining, is hardly encouraging."

The paper quotes its London correspondent as saying that British political quarters believe that Germany is trying to induce Japan to moderate her policy.

DECISIVE PART

Germany, the paper believes, will play a decisive part in future developments in the Far East.

The paper points to a plan for joint mediation by Britain, Germany, the United States and France, and thinks this would have a better chance of success than isolated German efforts.

It is certain, the paper says, that Germany does not want Japan's military power, which at present offsets Russia's military strength, to be unduly exhausted by military operations in China, the end of which cannot be foreseen.—Trans-Ocean.

ORDER RESTORED IN CHEFOO

Shanghai, To-day.

Order is now reported to have been fully restored in Chefoo, where a mob got out of hand last week following withdrawal of Chinese troops.

The sloop H.M.S. Lowestoft and the U.S.S. Marblehead are still standing by, however, to protect the many British and Americans in the port in case of further trouble.—Trans-Ocean.

MONTREAL FIRE DISASTER

Montreal, To-day.

The total death toll in the disastrous fire which took place in the Boys' school at Montreal amounted to 29.

The heat of the fire was so great that it was some time before the firemen could approach the ruins. A number of boys were killed when they tried to jump to safety from the upper windows of the building.—Reuter.

SHIPPING GOODS FROM HONG KONG

Canton, To-day.

A local newspaper states that foreign shippers in Shameen are doing their best not to ship goods on board Japanese steamers in Hong Kong, in sympathy with China's cause, also on account of possible risks involved.—Reuter.

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SALE OF HELIUM TO GERMANY HELD UP

Washington, To-day.
Mr. Harold Ickes, the Secretary for the Interior, announced that President Roosevelt had approved the suggestion of his Department prohibiting the sale of helium until the American Government has acquired new supplies.

Mr. Ickes added that orders for helium cannot be accepted until an agreement has been executed providing for the sale to the Government of privately-owned properties in Kansas and Colorado.

Meanwhile, a German steamer is held up in a coast port waiting to carry helium for the new German Zeppelin.—Reuter.

SOUTH AFRICA TOUR

Berlin, To-day.
A party of 68 South African students will arrive here on Friday, and will remain till January 24.

Another group of 17 South African students is at present touring Germany.—Trans-Ocean.

DUMPED BODIES

Thirteen dead bodies have been picked up in the street by the Police in the past 24 hours. No less than 203 bodies have been removed to the public mortuaries since January 2.

Lieut. Simpson, of No. 27, Granville Road, lost two watches and a rug valued at \$85, in a robbery at his house yesterday.

John Grey, aged 9, residing at No. 12, Lock Road, fell off a see saw in Middle Road on Sunday, and was admitted to the Kowloon Hospital yesterday.

VICEROY'S VISIT TO HYDERABAD

Hyderabad, To-day.
The Viceroy of India and Lady Linlithgow, attended a state banquet on their first official visit to Hyderabad.
The Nizam of Hyderabad speaking at the banquet said that the Viceroy's infinite pains and genuine sympathy for the welfare of India had endeared him to the Indian masses.—Reuter.

NEW RUMANIAN CITIZENSHIP DECREE

Bucharest, To-day.
The new Rumanian law relating to citizenship, which will be promulgated shortly, has been drafted in a way that those Jews who can show residence in Rumania since pre-War days, have nothing to fear.

This was part of an official statement made by the Minister of Justice yesterday.

Rights of such Jews, he said, were protected by international agreement as well as by the laws of the land.

The new law was primarily intended to get at those persons who have acquired Rumanian citizenship "in a fraudulent manner." — Trans-Ocean.

B.B.C. BROADCAST IN TURKISH

Jerusalem, To-day.
The B.B.C. broadcasts from Daventry will shortly include a daily broadcast in the Turkish language, according to Jerusalem newspapers.

The papers state that the Turkish Government will itself arrange the programmes.—Trans-Ocean.

HUGE CONCENTRATION Chinese Taking Initiative In Shantung Attacks

Shanghai, To-day.
Four hundred thousand Chinese troops are massed in the vicinity of Hsuehowfu, which, as junction of the Tientsin-Pukow and Lunghai Railway Lines, is one of the most important points in the north, according to reliable reports received here.

FIRST SESSION OF MOSCOW PARLIAMENT

Moscow, To-day.
The joint sitting of the two Chambers of the Supreme Council concluded the first session yesterday.

The occasion was celebrated throughout the Soviet Union by mass demonstrations and parades, in which huge portraits of leading members of the Government were displayed.—Trans-Ocean.

DISSOLUTION OF ULSTER PARLIAMENT

London, To-day.
A decree pronouncing dissolution of the Parliament of North Ireland was signed by the Governor-General after a meeting of the Privy Council yesterday.

The decree will be published to-day.—Trans-Ocean.

Japanese military circles here point out that collapse of the Chinese lines in this section would enable the Japanese forces, working south from Tsinanfu, to establish connection with those moving northwards from Nanking.

It is generally supposed that the Chinese will endeavour at all costs to hold their positions on the Lung-hai Railway. Comparative calm is reported from Hangchow, capital of Chekiang Province, the only activity occurring in a district west, where Chinese troops, according to Japanese troops, made several attacks.

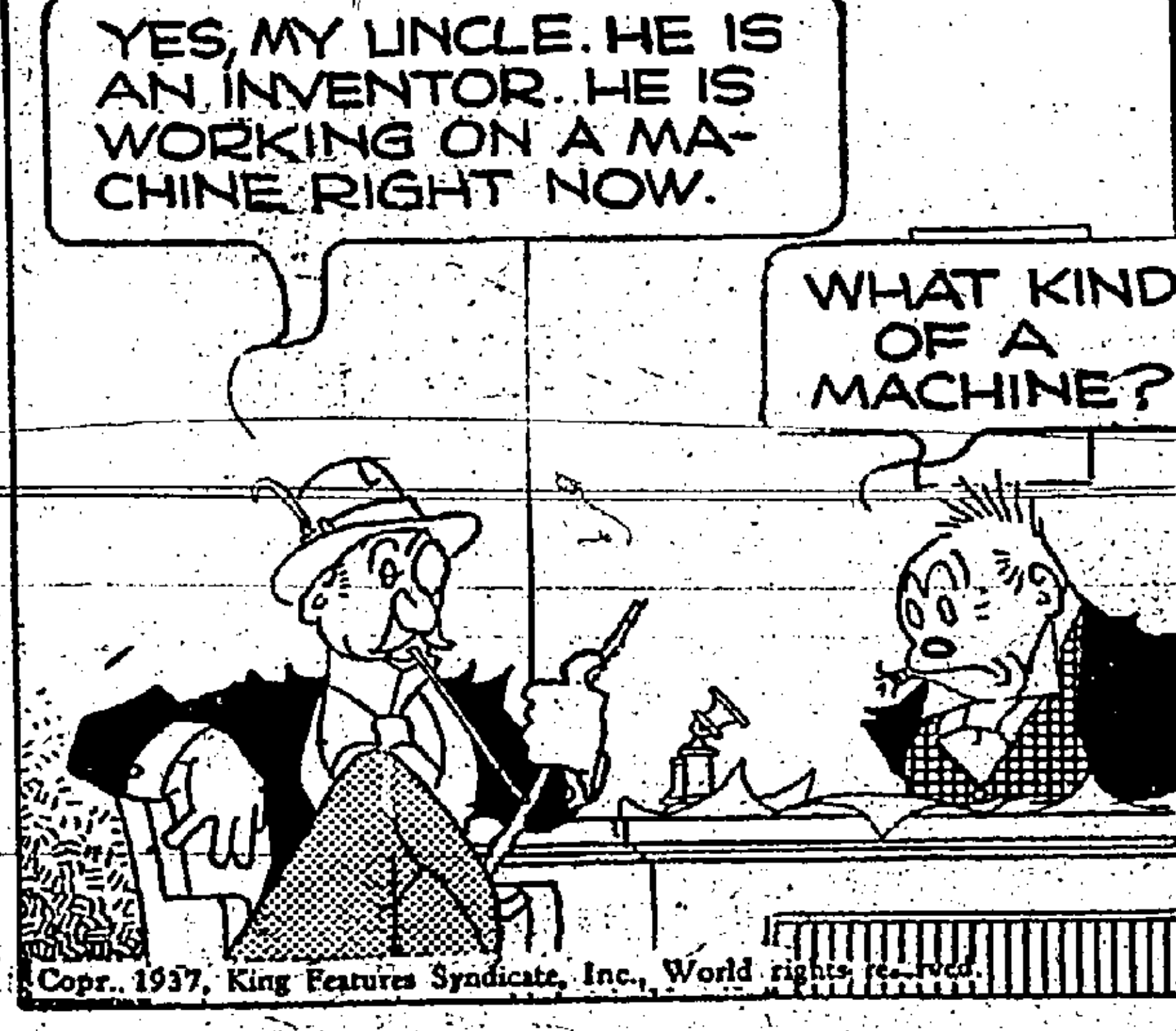
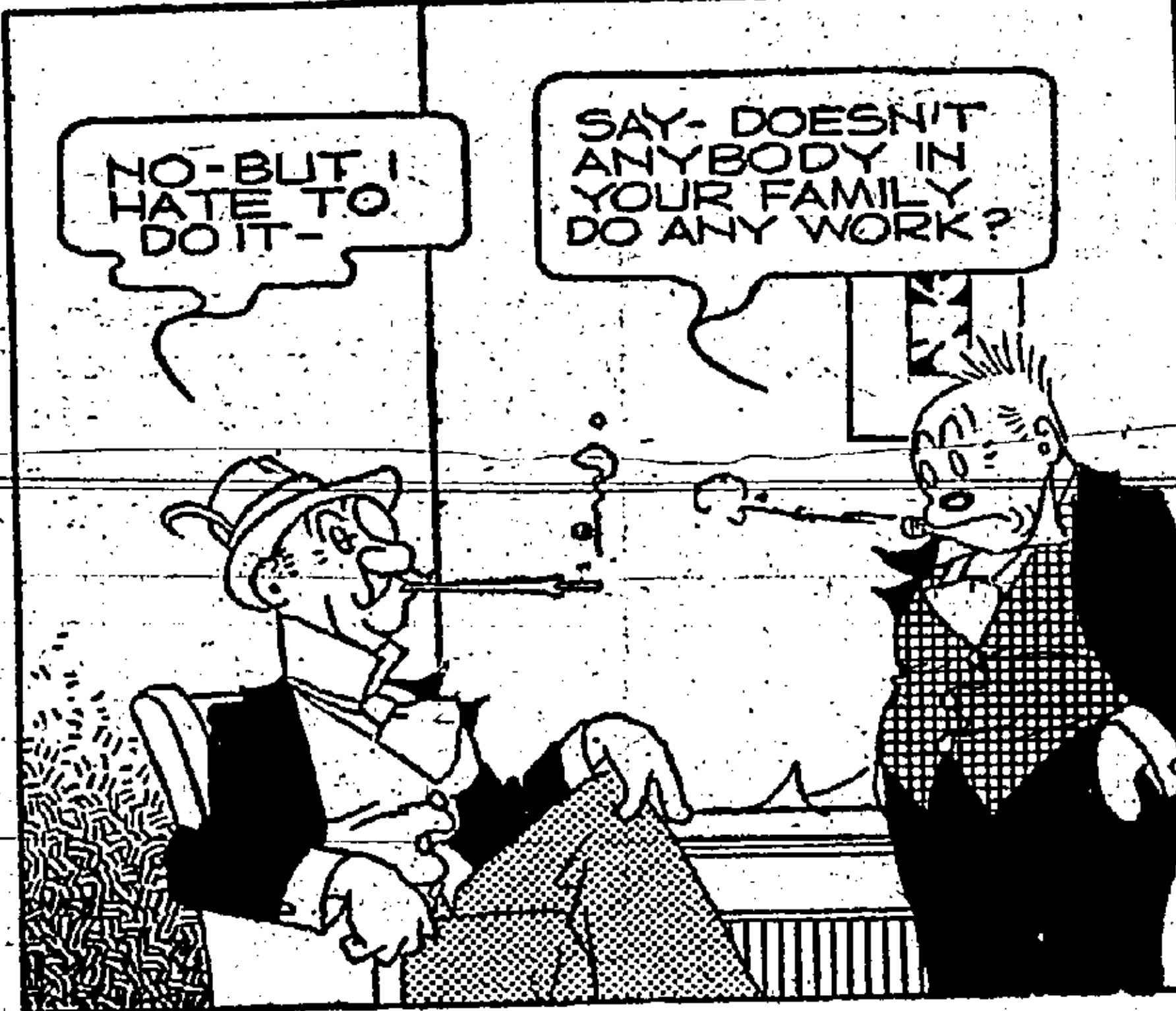
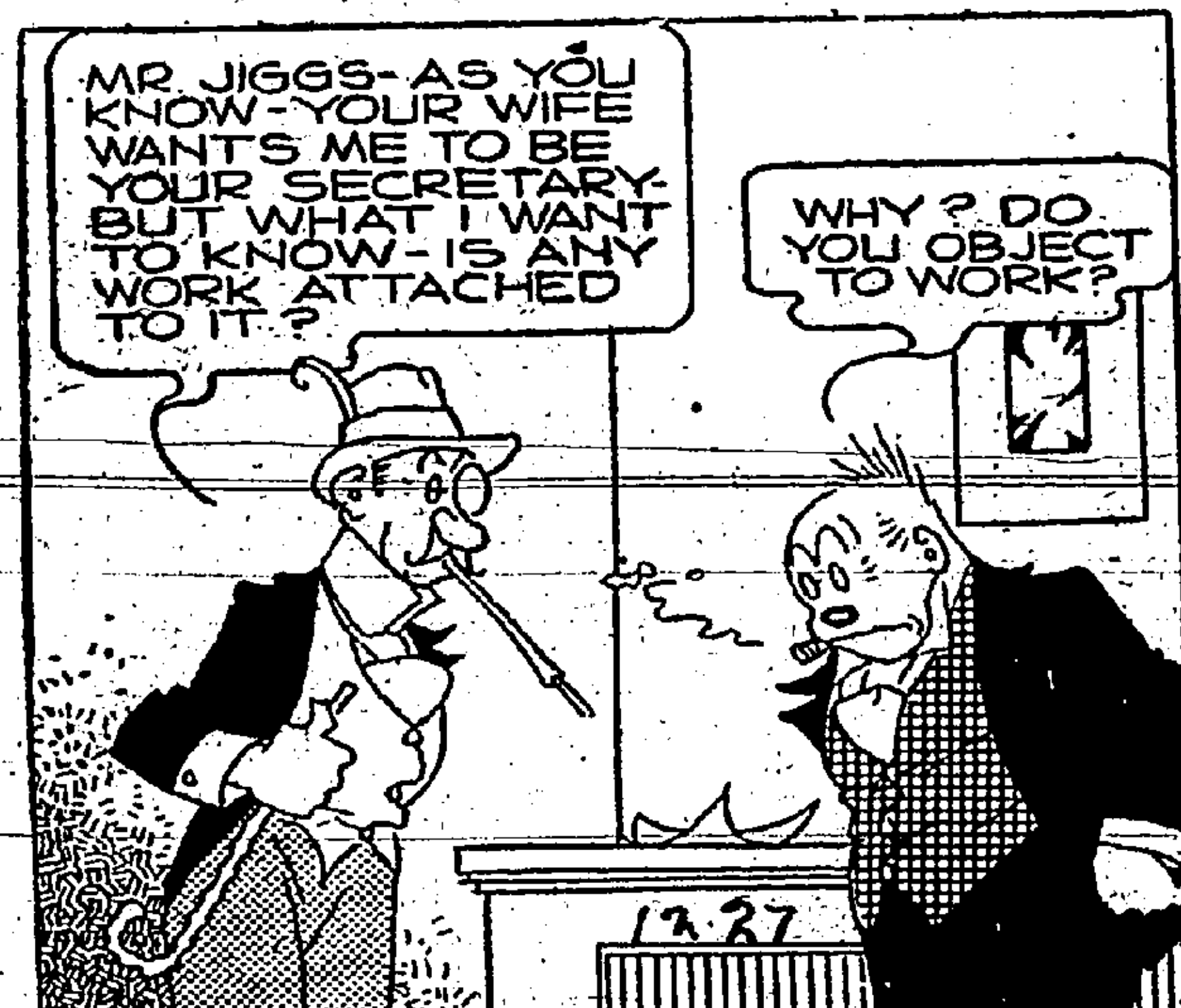
It is also reported that conditions in Hangchow are practically normal. The electric power plant is again in operation although the water supply is still cut off due to damage to the reservoirs.

Forty foreigners are still in the city.—Trans-Ocean.

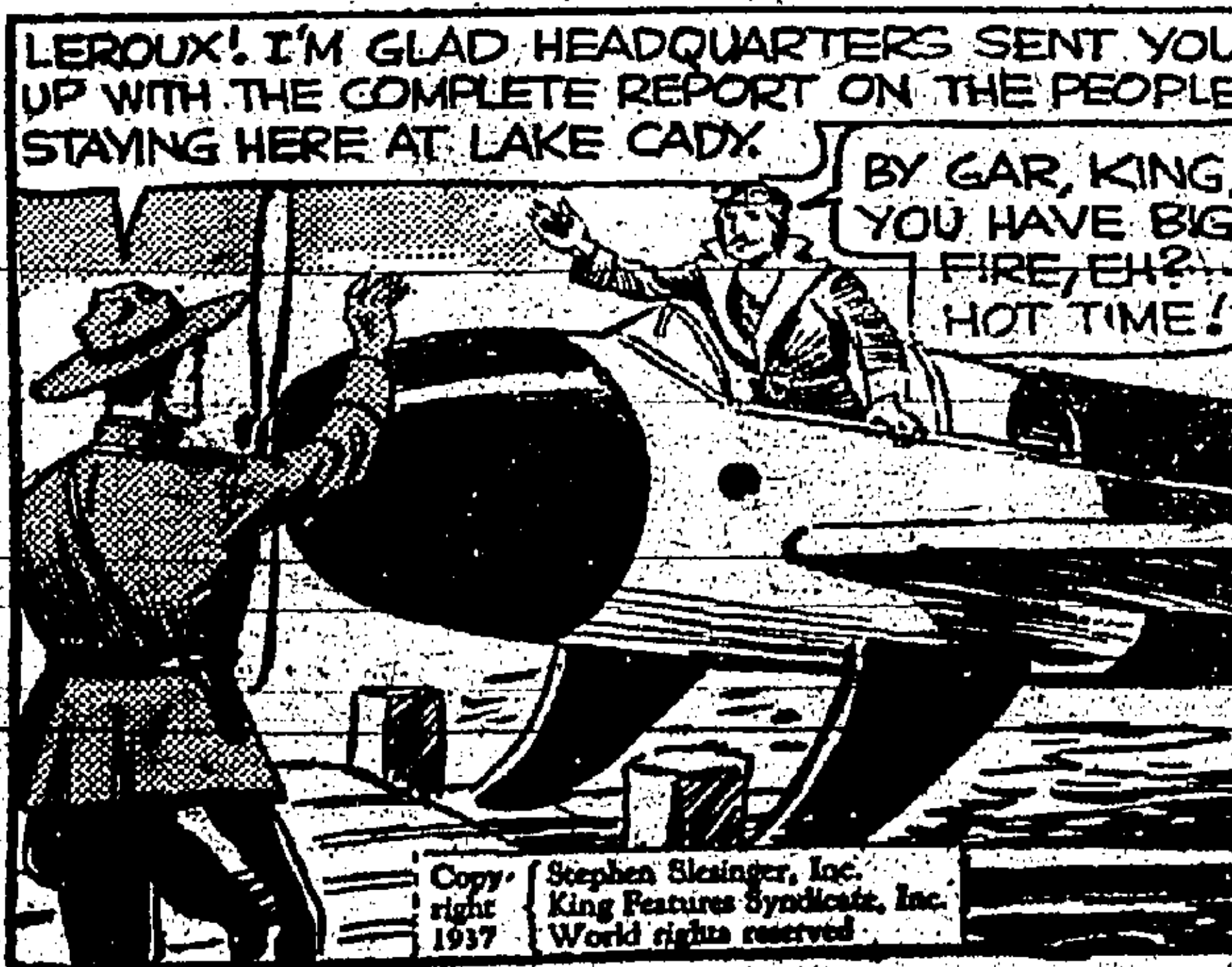
SIR CHARLES TURNER PASSES

London, To-day.
The death is announced of Sir Charles William Aldis Turner, of the Indian Civil Service.—Reuter.

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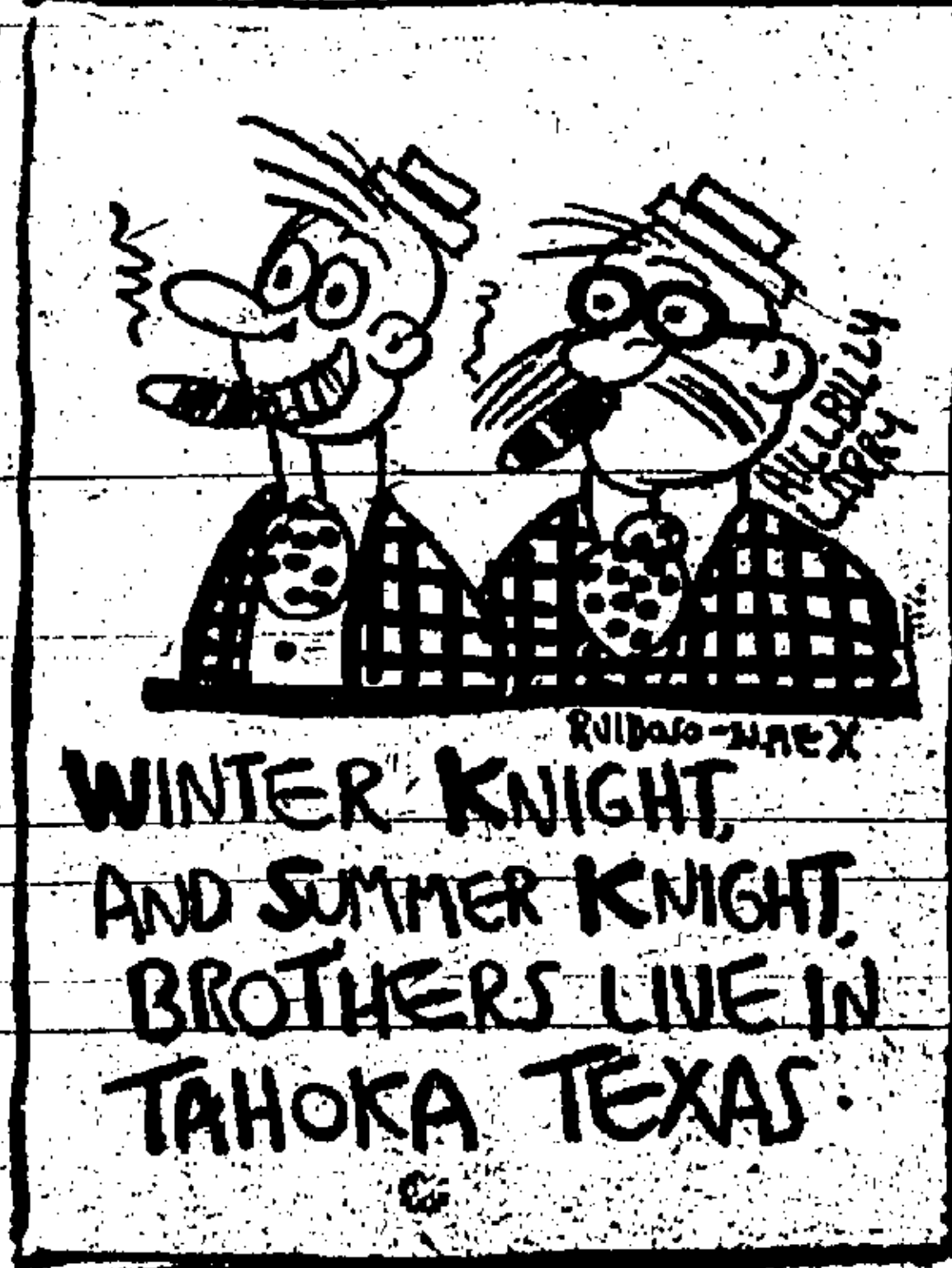
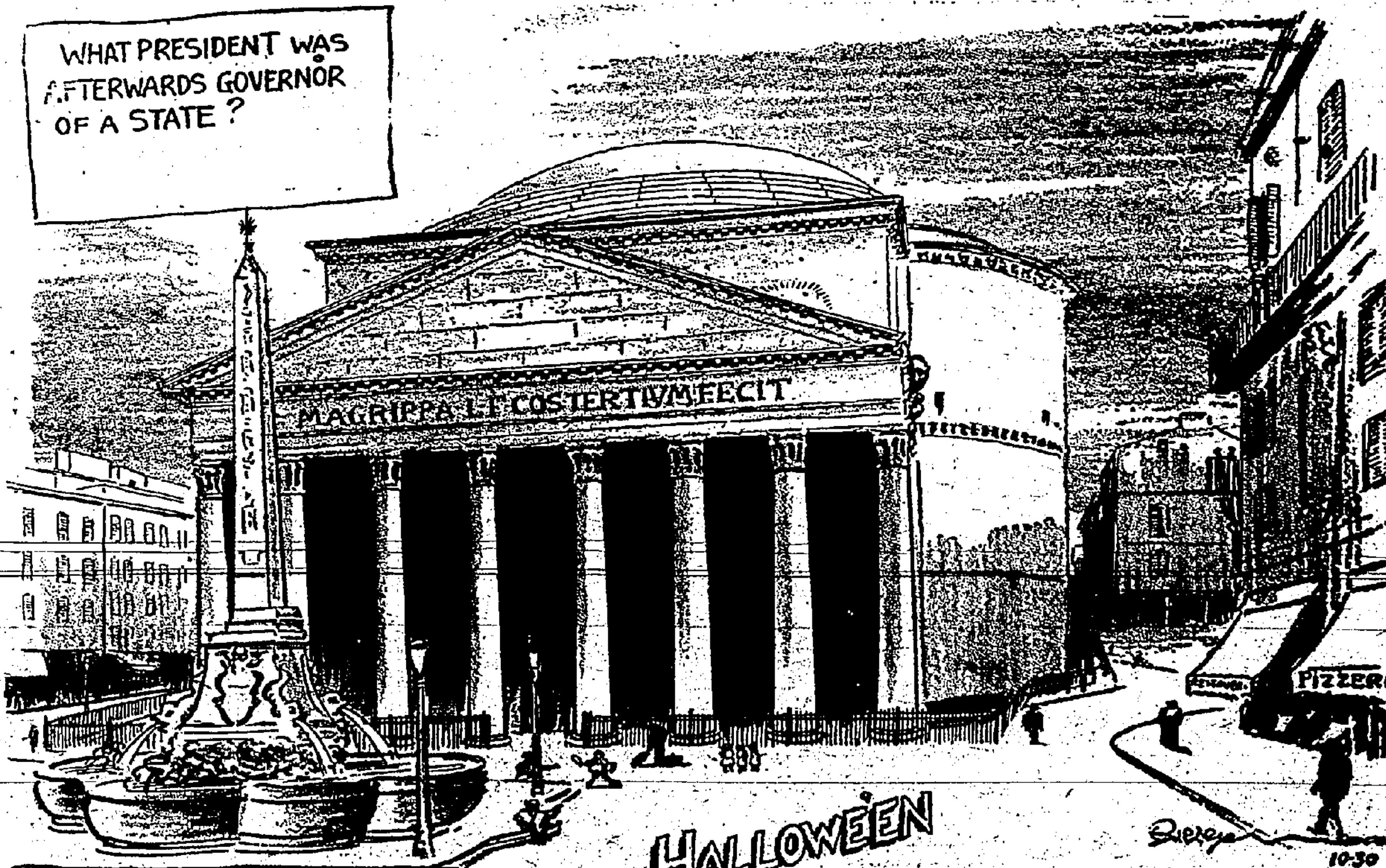


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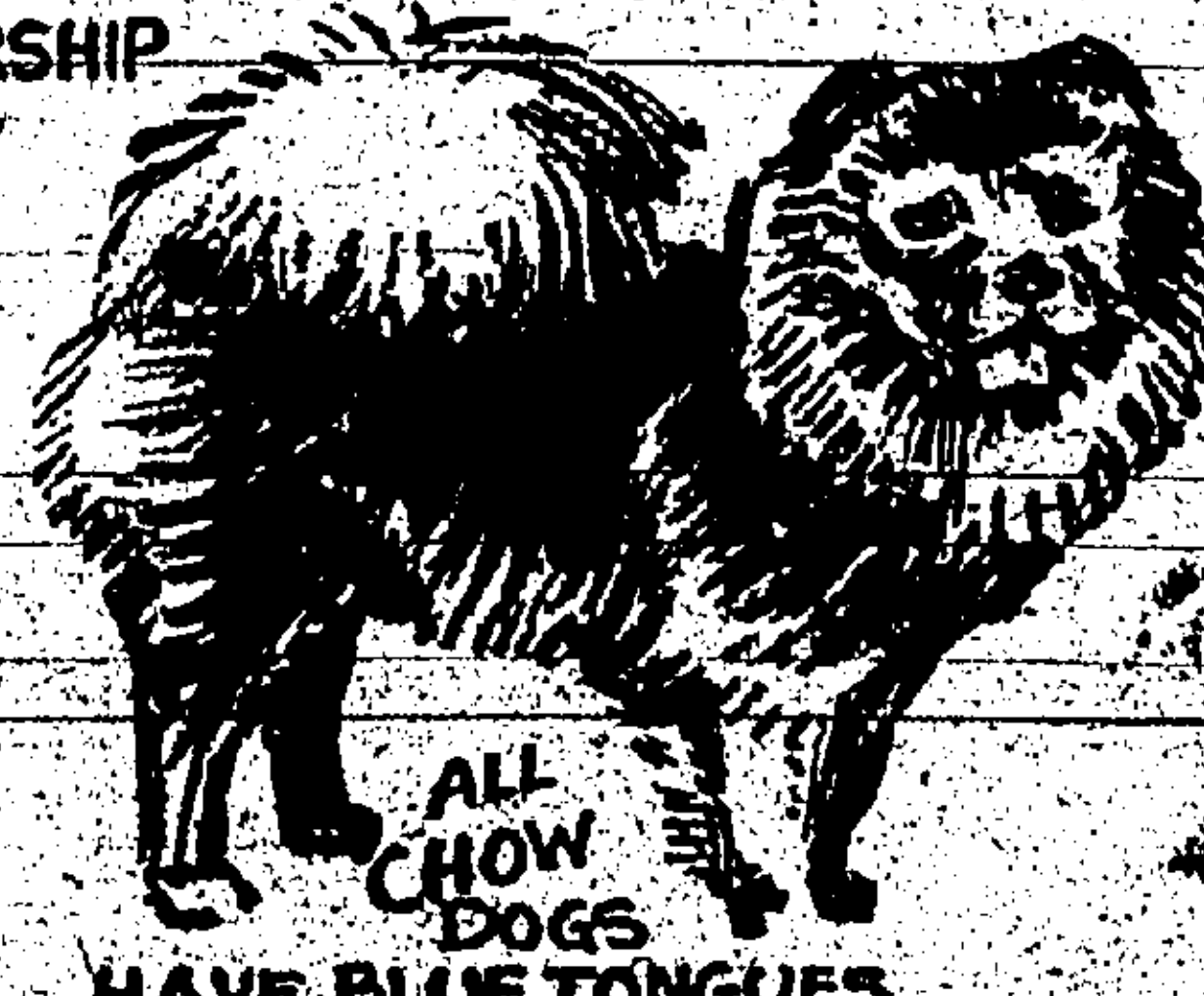
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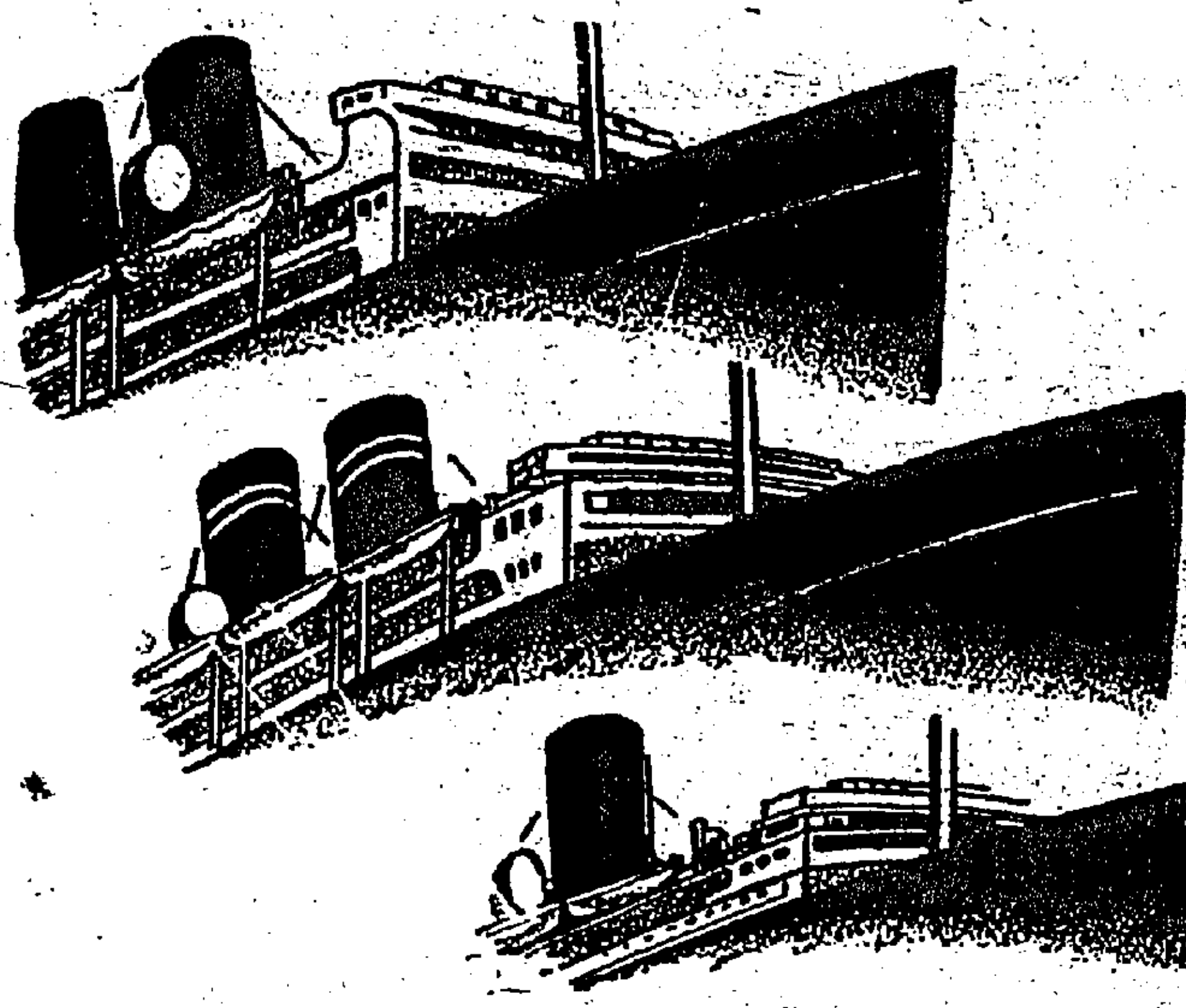
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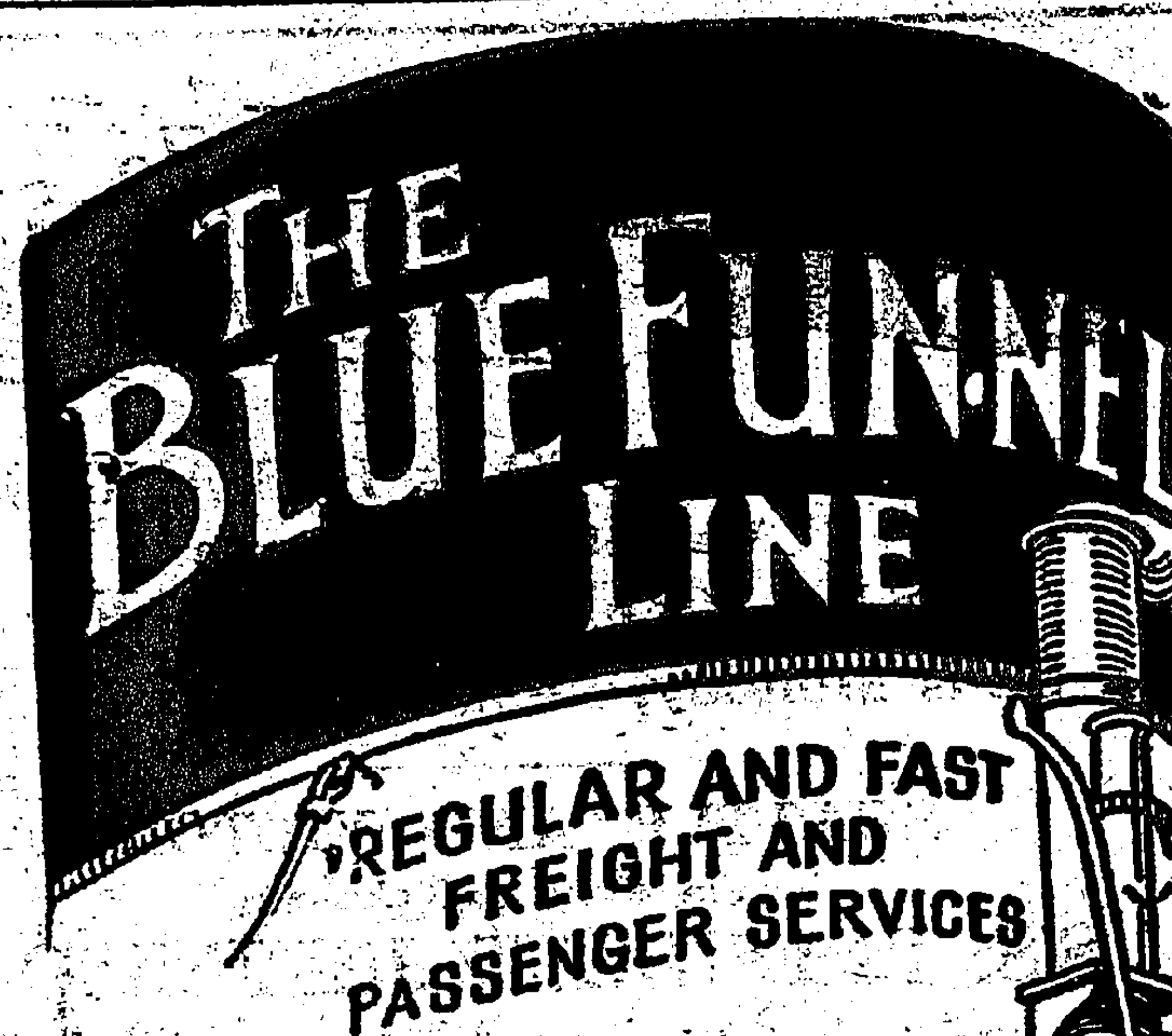
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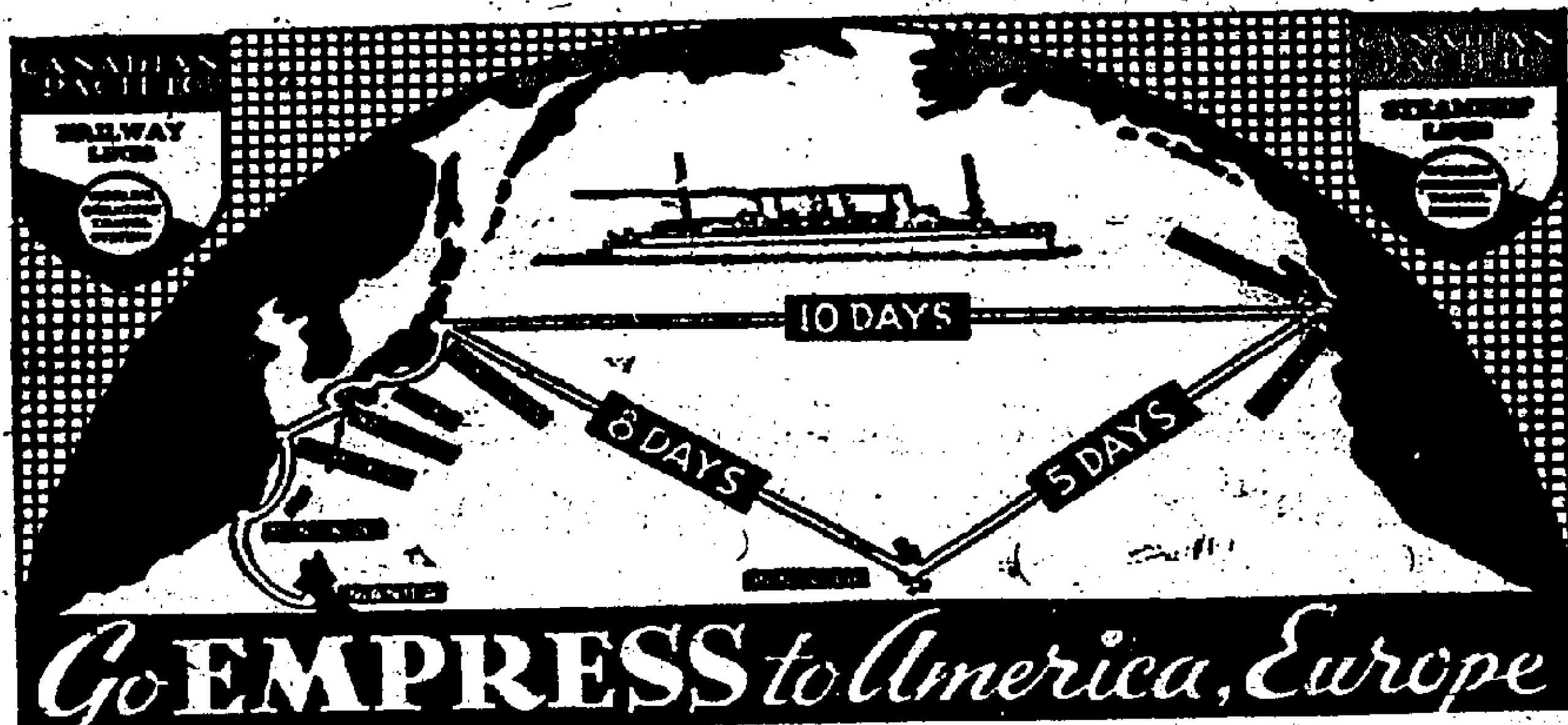
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			As per sale plan.	25,000	288	6,250

ORDNANCE BEAT SAPPERS

MUNTON SCORES TWICE

In a very scrappy game the Royal Army Ordnance Corps defeated the Royal Engineers by three clear goals in the postponed Third Division encounter at Sookunpoo yesterday.

Scadding scored for the Ordnance in the first half and in the later period, Munton scored twice.

Attoe who played in the pivotal position for the Ordnance was good and had the Engineers' forwards well marked while Emberson and Duffield were two fast wingers.

The Sappers' forward line was very disjointed and with the exception of Goodman and Duddridge none of the others ever troubled Money, the opposite goal-keeper.

SIGNALS' NARROW WIN

At Kowloon, the Signals just managed to secure both points from the University in the postponed Third Division football encounter by winning by the odd goal in three. Yong Kin-lin scored for the University and Pitcher and France for the Signals.

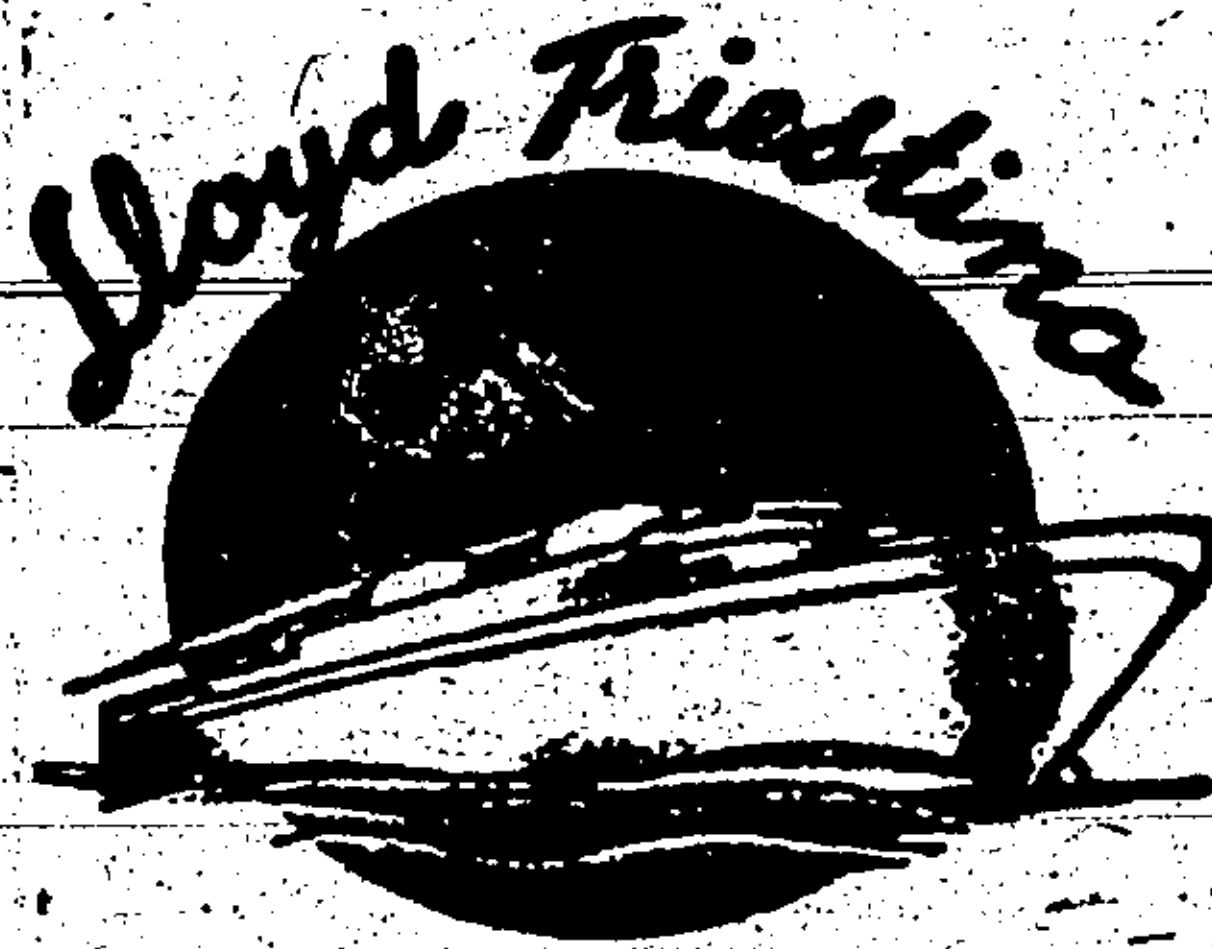
FRIENDLY TABLE-TENNIS ENCOUNTER

In a friendly table-tennis encounter played at the European Y. M. C. A. last night, the Cheero Club defeated the Y. M. C. A. by 6 matches to 3.

Detailed scores were as follows:

Ashton (Y) defeated Bansfield 21-6, 21-13;
Anderson (Y) lost to Foote 16-21, 16-21;
Bander (Y) lost to Corkhill 19-21, 21-19, 19-21;
Henning (Y) lost to May 14-21, 21-19, 11-21;
Greenberg (Y) beat Bateman 21-12, 21-10;
Lampard (Y) beat Duddridge 21-15, 21-18;
Ashton and Henning (Y) lost to Bansfield and Corkhill 11-21, 18-21;
Anderson and Bander (Y) lost to Foote and Bateman 16-21, 18-21;
Lampard and Greenberg (Y) lost to May and Duddridge 11-21, 21-16, 20-21.

A team of local footballers, captained by W. Sprinkle, of St. Joseph's, are visiting Macau during the Chinese New Year holidays. The team will include, among others, Hussain, Ward, Castilho and Delgado of St. Joseph's; Lewis Woo and Lee Tak Kee of Eastern, and Honniball, the Kowloon left-winger.



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RAUB AUSTRALIAN GOLD

The Hong Kong Stock Exchange have received the following statement from the Secretaries in Brisbane of the Raub Australian Gold Mining Company, Ltd.:

The Raub Australian Gold Mining Co., Ltd., statement for quarter ended 4th December, 1937. (Consisting of four four-weekly periods):

Tonnage of Ore raised 20,132 tons.
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UNITED HOCKEY WIN OVER CLUB

MIDDLESEX SOCCER TRIUMPH

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SIMMONDS AND HAMMOND SHINE

The Middlesex maintained their position at the head of the Second Division Table of the Hong Kong Football League yesterday, when they shattered the unbeaten record of the 5th A.A. Brigade, Royal Artillery, in their postponed encounter at Sookunpoo yesterday and won by 3 goals to 1, after outplaying the Gunners for the greater part of the game.

The Gunners missed the services of Sparkes, at centre half, who left for home last Saturday, and though Lawton, who deputised, put in much hard work and showed promise, he did not understand the play of his team mates and the forwards seldom received the passes they anticipated.

WINNERS IMPRESSIVE

The Middlesex were the more impressive team throughout the game and provided the first thrill of the game when Marabelle sent in a hot shot which ran along the cross bar and bounced back into play. The Gunners forward were also seen in several neat movements in the early stages of the game. Smith just failing to connect with a neat centre from Bancroft, the right winger.

The pace set by the Middlesex forwards soon told on the Gunners' intermediate line. Whittle, at right half, found Marabelle, difficult to hold, while Lawton had all his time occupied watching Simmonds and Hammond, the opposing inside right and centre forward.

In the Gunners forward line, Calvert started at inside-left, but the inability of his halves to supply him with passes forced him to lay far back, but in the second period, when he took over the centre-forward position, he was more prominent but was well marked to be very dangerous.

TWO FAST WINGERS

The Middlesex possessed two good wingers in Marabelle and Taylor and both were in good shooting form. They had their opposing halves in difficulties throughout the game and were always dangerous when in possession.

H.K. BOYS' AMATEUR LEAGUE ABANDONED

St. Joseph's And La Salle To Meet For The Trophy

At a special meeting of the Hong Kong Boys' Amateur Football League, held in St. Joseph's College yesterday, it was decided, in view of School examinations and other unforeseen circumstances, that the League be brought to an end at the conclusion of the first half of the programme.

It was also decided that the two leading teams, St. Joseph's College and La Salle College, both of whom are undefeated, should play off next Saturday on the Royal Navy ground at 4 p.m. for the trophy.

Simmonds and Hammond were two dangerous inside-forwards and the former was outstanding with his first time shooting, and but for the good work of Winstanley and Corbin would have been more successful.

The winners' half back line settled down early in the game and plied their forwards with numerous passes. Williams, at right half, was good. His clearances strong and his tackling neat, with the result that Thomas in the pivotal position could concentrate more on the inside forwards.

SIMMONDS' GOOD GOAL

The Middlesex took the lead in the first half through Hammond whose shot glided off the upright. In the second half Simmonds scored a good goal to place them further in the lead. A period of very dull play followed. The winners seem content with their lead, until Clavert reduced the lead, when from free kick, a defender deflected the ball into his own net. The game then livened up and with only a few minutes to go the Gunners made a desperate effort to equalise. Calvert went very near and Smith missed with only the goalkeeper to beat.

A breakaway resulted in Simmonds placing the issue beyond doubt with another good effort.

5th Bde. R.A.:—Poole; Corbin and Winstanley; Whittle, Lawton and May; Bancroft, Coughlin, Smith, Calvert and Chaplin.

Middlesex:—Coppard; Lawlor and Haigh; Williams, Thomas and Denham; Taylor, Simmonds, Hammond, Hellidias and Marabelle.

STANLEY BEATEN

A goal by Murray, in the first half enabled the Service Corps to take full points from Stanley at the Valley yesterday in their Third Division encounter.

FAST BUT SCRAPPY ENCOUNTER SEEN AT KING'S PARK

GROGAN AND GUEST SHINE FOR WINNERS.

CLUB ATTACK FAILS BADLY

(By "STICKS")

A FAST but scrappy hockey encounter was witnessed on the Club ground yesterday evening, when a team representing the United Hockey Tournament, defeated the Hong Kong Hockey Club first eleven by 2 goals to 1 after leading at the interval by a solitary goal.

VIGOROUS TACKLING MARRED THE GAME TO A CONSIDERABLE EXTENT, WHILE OBSTRUCTION WAS A FREQUENT FEATURE OF THE GAME, ALTHOUGH IN PATCHES. THERE WERE PHASES OF GOOD, CONSTRUCTIVE HOCKEY.

The Club forward line could not get going. Bond, following his recent illness, gave only a shadow of his former display and rarely, if ever, sent the ball across the United goalmouth. I must admit, however, that Grogan, the United full-back, was in brilliant form and allowed very little to pass by unnoticed.

Fowler, also a potential scoring factor in the Club's attack, was allowed very little scope by Stickley, the other United back, and found himself in difficulties on many occasions. In Malik too, Fowler encountered an obstacle which he found great difficulty in surmounting, and on the form he displayed yesterday, I doubt whether he would have made the mark for an Interport trial.

Probably the most interesting feature of the encounter was the display of Guest, in the United attack, where he proved most useful. I am of the opinion that Guest is a better inside forward than he is a full-back, and on yesterday's form would easily qualify for a Colony trial at inside-right.

FINE GOALKEEPER

Another outstanding player, although he rarely came into the picture, was Chan Kam-fui, the United goalkeeper, who was very confident in goal, and who kicked clear on several occasions when danger threatened. Of the two goalkeepers, Chan was the safer, Benwell being inclined to "rush things," and very nearly conceded a goal when he mistimed a kick, the ball glancing off his heel for a long corner, although it might have entered the net.

Wallace and E. V. Reed lacked finesse in their play, and their wild charges across the path of their opponents should have been penalised on more occasions. Reed was particularly dangerous, often tackling on the wrong side, but more often than not barging his opponent off the ball.

GROGAN IMPRESSES

Grogan and Stickley were impressive as a pair and covered each other's advances very soundly, although the former was actually the better of the two, his fast recoveries and excellent reverse stick clearances into touch, when danger threatened, saving the United charge on many occasions.

Of the six half-backs on display, both Hassan and Bates, right-halves for United and the Club, respectively, were disappointing. Bates' "sliding-tackle" efforts to spoil were effective to a degree, but very dangerous to himself. Bates is a trier, but beyond that there is not in his

play which calls for comment. Hassan has been much over-rated and although playing in the unaccustomed position of right-half, rarely come into the picture.

IMPROVED DISPLAY

Willy Reed was again outstanding in the Club centre-half berth and outshone Brown, the United pivot, who, however, gave a very much improved display on previous displays.

Reed held Pyara Singh completely. The latter's intricate stick-work was overdone and he played himself out of position. One must admit, however, that Pyara Singh is effective at times in his dribbles though a weak defence, but against Reed yesterday he found more than he had bargained for. Unless he curbs this desire for "gallery play" I cannot see his securing his place in the Interport side against Macao.

BEST AT PRESENT

Malik, the United left-half, was the best wing-half on display and is probably the best in the Colony at the moment. He is by no means the best we have had in the Colony, a long way from it, as he lacks the constructive genius of Alaf Din. Potter worked very hard in the Club left-half berth, but beyond spoiling well, gave Bond very little assistance.

The United fielded a unique forward line. Gurbachan Singh, a centre-forward, was seen on the right-wing, where he came into the picture late in the game, taking considerable time to get used to the wing berth. Guest, a right-back, was seen at inside-right, and gave a grand display, (Continued on Page 19)

ADVENTURE DEFEAT DORSETSHIRE

Displaying better combination at forward, H. M. S. Adventure beat H. M. S. Dorsetshire at Happy Valley by 3 goals to 1 in a friendly game.

Lt. Calwell, Chief Stoker Jenkins and A. B. Harvey scored for Adventure, while Sub-Lt. Cox scored the losers' solitary point.

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LAST NIGHT'S AMAZING BADMINTON

ST. JOHN'S COME UP FROM BEHIND TO SCORE SPECTACULAR VICTORY

DOWN 1-4 THEY WIN 5-4

(By "ADREM")

WITH the match within their grasp and the championship virtually theirs, Kowloon Tong fell before a determined assault by St. John's, who won the last four games in a row to score one of the most spectacular victories, not only of this season but during the whole of the brief history of local badminton.

WHEN THE LAST GAME OF THE SECOND ROUND BETWEEN R. E. LEE AND F. S. KO AND G. A. SMITH AND A. KEOWN COMMENCED, THE VISITORS HELD A LEAD OF 4 GAMES TO 1 AND, WHEN LEE AND KO CROSSED OVER, THE SCORE WAS 11-4 AND, TO ALL INTENTS AND PURPOSES, THE MATCH AND THE CHAMPIONSHIP WHICH HINGED ON THIS ENCOUNTER, WAS WON AND LOST.

The home pair then staged a recovery from this losing position, which was typical of the remainder of the games, and, although Kowloon Tong contested each point with grim determination, they were completely outplayed. Smith provided the brains. He continually worked his opponents out of position for Keown to smash devastating winners.

Lee and Ko became more and more anxious and, towards the end, their futile efforts were quite apathetic and they only managed a further three points to lose 21-14.

ST. JOHN'S HEARTENED

A complete change now came over both sides. St. John's were obviously greatly heartened by this unexpected victory over their opponents' number one pair and conversely Kowloon Tong began to worry a bit. The next game was between Mackay and Chan and Peter Wilson and Norman Smith. So far as I can recollect, the latter pair have never emerged successfully against this Kowloon Tong combination in at least half a dozen encounters and have never looked like doing so.

Apparently this worried them not at all. They crossed over on the right end of an 11-8 score and Peter Wilson then went away with a service run which netted them seven points and took their tally to 18. They eventually went out without their opponents picking up another ace. Score—4 games to 3.

G. A. Smith and Keown then battled through another nerve-wracking game with J. Chen and F. Tsang, who had already won two games, and once more the Cathedral pair were successful after a fierce uphill battle and the match was then level.

GAME IN THE BAG

To all intents and purposes, St. John's now had the game in the bag, as it appeared most unlikely that Lee and Ko would beat Kwok and Bennitt after their poor showing in the previous game. They fought gallantly, however, but never recovered from a long lead that was quickly piled up against them and eventually lost to 17.

SMITH'S SCHEMING

Kwok and Bennitt, for St. John's, played their usual game. They recovered everything and waited for their opponents to make all the

mistakes. G. A. Smith was not as convincing last night as I have seen him, but his shrewd badminton brain was always scheming openings and was quick to size up the weaknesses of the visiting combinations.

I stated earlier in the season that Keown, while having all the natural attributes of a fine player, was lacking in experience and that his game was still immature. Since then he has improved tremendously and in addition to his very pow-

BADMINTON FOR THIRD EDITION

A full commentary on the St. John's v Kowloon Tong badminton match played last night, which resulted in a win for the former team by 5 games to 4, will appear in our third edition.

erful smash and fine retrieving powers, he has added an excellent short game which has increased his effectiveness considerably.

WILSON AND SMITH EXCEL

St. John's third pair, Norman Smith and Peter Wilson, who have met with scant success during an association that has lasted over two seasons, are now coming into their own. Smith probably played the finest game of the evening. Overhead he was deadly and his coverage of court and anticipation left nothing to be desired. Wilson, for the most part, sat on the net, and was exceptionally severe on anything the slightest bit loose.

The following were the score:—

G. A. Smith and A. Keown (St. John's)	lost to N. A. E. Mackay and A. Chan	15-21
beat John Chen and Francis Tsang		21-17
beat R. E. Lee and F. S. Ko		21-14
F. H. Kwok and A. J. Bennitt (St. John's)	lost to Mackay and Chan	21-15
beat Mackay and Chan		18-21
lost to Chen and Tsang		21-17
beat Lee and Ko		21-8
P. Wilson and Norman Smith (St. John's)	lost to Mackay and Chan	21-8
beat Mackay and Chan		19-21
lost to Chen and Tsang		17-21

HOCKEY

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fine constructive work giving the Club backs many anxious moments.

Wall and Partab formed an effective left-wing for the United, the former putting in some very neat little touches, while the left-winger again made his presence felt with some dazzling runs down the left-wing and solo efforts to score.

AT SIXES-AND-SEVENS

The Club attack were at sixes-and-sevens and very rarely, if ever, combined effectively as a whole. Divett worked very hard in the leader's berth, but was never supported to the fullest extent by Whitley and Bickford, who were rarely positioned for a pass, when near the circle. Bickford, playing a lone hand at times, was very dangerous and twice just failed to secure an equalising goal.

The first goal was a lucky one for the United, the ball glancing off E. V. Reed's stick from a shot by Malik. In the second half Pyara Singh placed the United further in the lead, but Divett reduced the arrears.

The following teams have been selected:

United:—Chan Kam-fui (Police); Stickley (Middlesex), Grogan (Middlesex); M. H. Hassan (Radio), Brown (Police); Malik (K.I.T.C.); G. Singh (Radio), A. E. P. Guest (Radio), Pyara Singh (K.I.T.C.), Wall (Police) and Partab (Kumaon Rifles).
Club:—V. M. Benwell; R. L. Wallace, E. V. Reed; R. A. Bates, W. A. Reed, J. E. Potter; S. Fowler, T. Whitley, G. E. R. Divett (Capt.), B. I. Bickford, V. Bond.

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MIDDLESEX DEFEATED BY CLUB "A"

FRIENDLY RUGBY ENCOUNTER

On the Club ground yesterday, Club "A" beat the Middlesex Regiment in a friendly Rugby match. Both teams took the field a man short.

In the opening minutes of the game, both sides were playing a very scrappy brand of Rugger but as play progressed the Club threes



settled down and they gave a good exhibition of neat handling. The Middlesex forwards were weak.

Middlesex drew first blood when Bumer scored a nice try, Watson adding goal points with a kick from a difficult angle. Just before half-time, however, Needham dropped a goal for the Club to make the score 5-4 in favour of the Army side.

The superiority of the Club pack made itself felt in the second half

LIGHT BLUES' RUGBY WIN OVER AIR FORCE

London, To-day. — Cambridge University beat the Royal Air Force by a goal and a penalty goal (8 points) to nil, in their friendly encounter at Cambridge.

when they scored through Nelson, Hynes and Leight. All the resultant kicks were taken by Oliphant who only converted one of them, the final score being Club 15 points, Middlesex 5.



CRICKET TOURISTS IN STRONG POSITION

Nagpur, To-day. In the two-day cricket match between Tennyson's XI and Central Provinces, at the tea interval Tennyson's XI had scored 151 for 9 in reply to their opponents' 76. — Reuter.

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A comprehensive guide to the form of all Clubs in the four premier English Football Leagues and the premier Scottish League will be found in the appended table. To assist in comparing the teams, details of how they fared in their last five matches are given.

The letters W, L, and D indicate matches won, lost and drawn respectively. Games played at home are shown in capital letters, while away games are denoted by ordinary type. The figures in brackets denote the position held by that team at the conclusion of last season, an asterisk denotes that that team has been promoted and a dagger that that team has been relegated.

FIRST DIVISION													HOME				AWAY				Goals Pts. TL			
	P	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts.	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts.									
Brentford (6) dWWDw	25	13	8	2	3	28	16	19	12	5	4	3	15	15	13	32								
Wolves (5) lwdwW	22	11	7	0	4	23	7	18	11	4	6	1	11	19	10	28								
Leeds (19) WWIDl	24	13	8	1	4	26	15	20	11	1	5	5	13	23	7	27								
Arsenal (3) lIWI	24	11	8	1	2	16	16	16	13	4	7	2	17	22	11	27								
Bolton (20) DWldW	23	11	6	2	3	24	14	15	12	3	3	6	13	17	12	27								
Preston (14) DlddW	24	13	7	1	5	24	11	19	11	2	5	4	16	17	8	27								
Charlton (2) WWWdW	22	12	7	2	3	23	11	17	10	2	2	6	12	13	10	27								
Sunderland (8) dWdlW	24	12	8	2	2	14	12	18	12	2	7	3	14	16	7	25								
Stoke (10) LWdW	24	12	6	1	5	28	8	17	12	2	8	2	11	15	8	25								
Huddersfield (15) wldlL	24	10	7	2	1	16	9	15	14	3	8	3	16	26	9	24								
Chelsea (13) lLkd	23	12	7	1	4	26	13	18	11	2	5	2	18	33	6	24								
Derby (4) WdWlL	23	12	5	3	4	25	18	14	11	2	5	4	11	28	8	22								
*Leicester (-) lWlW	24	12	6	4	2	21	13	14	12	3	7	2	14	29	8	22								
Middlesbrough (7) lIWI	23	12	7	2	3	27	20	17	11	1	8	2	16	25	5	22								
Birmingham (11) lDdD	23	12	4	1	7	21	14	15	11	1	5	5	12	14	7	22								
Manchester C. (1) lIILw	22	11	8	2	1	26	14	17	11	1	7	3	16	25	5	22								
Grimsby (12) Dlddl	24	12	4	4	4	13	19	12	12	1	5	6	13	21	8	22								
W. Brom. (16) lLDLd	22	11	5	4	2	20	21	10	11	4	5	2	19	24	10	20								
Everton (17) lIWI	24	12	7	3	2	29	17	16	12	1	10	1	11	26	4	20								
Liverpool (18) dWdDl	23	11	4	6	1	20	19	9	12	3	5	4	13	20	10	19								
*Blackpool (-) wWIWI	25	12	3	5	4	15	17	10	13	3	9	1	17	25	8	18								
Portsmouth (9) WWWdW	24	13	3	5	5	21	19	11	11	2	7	2	13	28	7	18								

SECOND DIVISION					HOME					AWAY					Goals Pts. TL				
	P	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts.	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts.				
Sheffield U. (-) WWdlW	.25	13	11	1	1	28	12	23	12	4	6	2	19	19	10				
Aston Villa (9) wwWdW	.24	12	9	1	2	27	6	20	12	5	4	3	13	14	13				
Coventry (8) WIDW	.23	12	7	1	4	18	8	18	11	4	2	5	19	16	13				
Bradford (20) WwLLW	.23	12	7	1	4	26	12	18	11	3	3	5	8	14	11				
†M'chester U. (-) lWdW	.23	11	7	2	2	26	13	16	12	4	6	2	14	31	12				
Chesterfield (15) ldWIL	.21	11	6	3	2	22	15	14	13	4	4	5	17	19	13				
Burnley (13) DwwIW	.25	13	7	2	4	21	7	18	12	2	6	4	14	24	8				
Tottenham (10) WwLLW	.24	11	8	1	2	24	9	18	13	3	9	1	18	25	7				
West Ham (6) LDDdl	.23	13	7	1	5	24	18	19	10	0	5	5	9	14	5				
Norwich (17) dldW	.24	12	8	1	3	25	20	19	12	1	8	3	18	37	5				
*Luton (-) DWlWl	.24	11	6	2	3	28	16	15	13	3	8	2	18	27	8				
Bury (3) lWlW	.23	12	6	4	2	17	12	15	11	3	6	2	12	17	7				
Barnsley (14) lWlW	.25	11	6	3	2	20	11	12	14	2	8	4	14	31	10				
Notts. F. (18) Wlwl	.24	12	7	3	2	18	12	16	12	1	8	3	11	21	5				
Blackburn (12) ldlWl	.24	12	6	1	5	29	21	17	12	1	9	2	15	28	4				
Southampton (-) lDDWl	.23	13	6	2	5	27	17	17	10	2	8	0	12	31	4				
†Wednesday (-) dWdWd	.24	12	5	4	3	16	14	13	12	1	7	4	12	20	8				
*Stockport (-) lldl	.23	11	5	3	3	14	11	13	12	2	7	3	14	28	7				
Newcastle (1) lWDDl	.23	12	6	3	3	24	7	15	11	1	7	3	15	19	5				
Swansea (16) ldDlD	.24	13	5	2	6	16	12	14	11	0	7	4	9	21	4				
Plymouth (3) lldWw	.24	11	5	4	2	21	20	12	13	2	8	3	11	28	5				
Fulham (1) lWlW	.23	11	3	3	5	17	16	10	12	2	8	2	17	21	6				

THIRD DIVISION SOUTH	HOME										AWAY									
	P	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts.	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts.	Tl				
Queen's P.R. (9) MWL	24	12	7	2	3	18	8	17	12	5	4	3	23	22	13	30				
Notts. C. (2) WIWIW	23	11	6	2	3	15	8	15	12	6	4	2	14	10	14	29				
Cardiff (17) WIWwD	22	13	10	0	3	42	17	23	9	1	5	3	6	17	5	28				
Watford (4) WdWwD	23	11	6	2	3	27	8	15	12	5	3	4	10	16	13	28				
Southend (10) DIWIW	23	13	10	1	2	22	8	22	10	2	7	1	10	25	5	27				
Reading (5) WdWwW	23	10	8	2	0	19	15	16	13	2	4	7	19	23	11	27				
Bristol C. (15) wWIWw	22	11	8	0	3	21	6	19	11	2	6	3	9	16	7	26				
Brighton (3) WwWWI	22	13	10	1	2	22	8	22	9	1	7	1	10	23	3	25				
Millwall (8) IIMd	22	9	5	1	3	21	10	13	13	4	5	4	13	14	12	25				
Bournemouth (6) DDdWw	22	12	5	0	7	21	7	17	10	2	7	1	10	16	7	24				
Crystal P. (3) dlIdI	21	9	6	1	2	20	4	14	12	2	6	4	10	18	9	23				
Swindon (13) IDLWI	23	11	7	2	2	19	9	16	12	1	7	4	9	16	6	22				
Mansfield (-) LwDWW	22	12	8	1	3	21	8	18	10	1	7	2	6	18	4	22				
Newport (18) IDILW	23	10	6	2	2	18	8	14	13	1	7	5	10	24	7	21				
Northampton (7) wIWIw	22	9	4	3	2	11	8	10	13	5	7	1	17	27	11	21				
Exeter (20) IIDWW	22	11	7	3	1	24	15	13	11	2	5	4	10	17	8	21				
Torquay (19) WdDdw	23	12	6	5	1	15	17	13	11	2	6	3	9	26	7	20				
Bristol R. (14) DwlWI	22	12	4	2	6	15	14	14	10	1	6	3	8	20	4	18				
Aldershot (21) LIWWD	21	11	4	4	3	9	14	11	10	3	6	1	10	19	7	18				
Clapton (12) WILd	23	12	5	3	4	14	15	13	11	2	7	2	11	16	5	18				
Walsall (16) WlWdD	23	13	7	5	1	21	18	15	10	0	8	2	9	19	2	17				
Gillingham (11) IwLd	21	9	3	4	2	6	14	8	12	1	10	1	9	27	3	11				

THIRD DIVISION NORTH	HOME										AWAY									
	P	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts.	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts.	TL				
Rotherham (17) wWwIW	23	13	9	1	3	29	12	21	10	5	5	0	19	22	10	31				
Hull (5) WlwWW	23	10	8	0	2	36	7	18	13	4	5	4	14	16	14	32				
Oldham (4) WddWD	22	12	8	1	3	25	8	19	10	1	2	7	10	11	11	30				
Tranmere (19) wWLWd	23	13	9	2	2	20	12	20	10	4	4	2	16	8	10	30				
Gateshead (21) dDLd	21	10	6	0	4	19	10	17	11	5	4	2	12	18	12	29				
Doncaster (-) dLIwW	22	11	9	1	1	18	13	19	11	3	4	4	12	16	10	29				
Carlisle (10) dWwWw	23	14	8	3	3	27	15	19	9	4	5	0	17	17	8	27				
Lincoln (2) lwLL	22	11	7	2	2	26	6	15	11	3	4	4	11	13	10	25				
Chester (3) WdLd	23	13	6	2	5	28	23	17	10	3	3	4	9	19	8	25				
Rochdale (18) LwwIW	24	12	5	3	4	19	8	14	12	5	6	1	9	29	11	25				
York (12) dWLd	22	11	6	3	2	22	16	14	11	3	5	3	17	24	9	23				
Wrexham (8) wWLd	22	10	7	2	1	18	9	15	12	2	6	4	15	29	8	23				
Port Vale (11) dlwDd	22	9	5	1	3	24	11	13	13	2	8	3	20	31	8	21				
Halifax (7) dDDLw	22	11	5	5	1	12	12	12	11	2	6	3	18	23	8	20				
Southport (14) DDLl	22	10	4	4	2	17	16	9	12	3	5	4	26	32	10	19				
N. Brighton (15) dLLD	21	10	5	3	2	15	13	12	11	2	6	3	16	20	6	18				
Crewe (20) dWLd	23	11	4	4	3	13	11	11	12	3	8	1	12	23	7	18				
Bradford C. (-) LLIWl	21	11	6	2	3	23	16	15	10	1	9	0	9	23	2	17				
Accrington (13) wLlL	22	11	4	7	0	15	23	8	11	2	7	2	9	19	6	14				
Darlington (22) lLdD	23	12	4	6	2	20	24	10	11	1	8	2	11	28	4	14				
Hartlepool (6) DdWDl	23	11	3	4	4	15	14	10	12	0	11	1	13	44	1	11				
Barrow (16) LIWlW	23	10	4	5	1	11	12	9	13	1	11	1	10	27	1	10				



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SCOTTISH LEAGUE	HOME										AWAY									
											Goals					Goals Pts. Tl				
	P	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts.	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts.					
Celtic (3) wWlWw	25	14	11	1	2	50	12	24	11	6	2	3	19	16	15	39				
Hearts (3) dWwLl	26	14	11	1	2	34	11	24	12	4	4	4	20	24	12	36				
Rangers (1) dWwLD	25	14	8	2	4	33	15	20	11	5	3	3	12	5	13	33				
Motherwell (4) WlLW	27	14	8	2	4	35	18	20	13	4	5	4	14	25	12	32				
Falkirk (7) WdLwL	26	12	6	3	3	28	19	15	14	7	4	3	30	23	16	31				
Partick (13) WwWwW	24	11	8	2	1	29	12	17	13	4	5	4	16	26	12	29				
Aberdeen (2) dWwWl	28	13	7	3	3	27	13	17	15	3	8	4	25	37	10	27				
Arbroath (14) wDdDL	27	15	6	4	5	28	23	17	12	3	5	4	16	28	10	27				
Third Lanark (6) wLdLD	26	13	6	3	4	23	23	15	13	3	7	3	24	27	9	24				
St. Mirren (16) WlWLD	24	13	8	3	2	24	12	18	11	2	7	2	9	25	6	24				
Dundee (9) DLlW	25	13	7	4	2	26	19	16	12	3	7	2	21	31	8	24				
St. Johnstone (12) LDwDL	24	13	7	4	2	33	12	16	11	3	7	1	19	30	7	23				
Hibernian (17) wLddW	28	15	7	4	4	27	16	17	13	2	9	2	16	29	6	23				
Queen's O'S. (18) lLWl	26	12	4	4	4	12	17	12	14	2	6	6	20	28	10	22				
Ayr (-) LwLWd	24	14	5	3	6	18	24	16	10	2	6	2	10	30	6	22				
Queen's Park. (15) lWlWw	25	13	5	3	5	23	20	15	10	2	7	3	18	29	7	22				
Hamilton (8) dLWl	25	13	6	6	1	14	22	13	12	2	6	4	23	28	8	21				
Clyde (40) DIDDw	24	13	4	2	7	24	20	15	11	2	7	2	16	31	8	21				
Kilmarnock (11) LwDDl	26	12	3	5	4	21	23	10	14	2	9	3	23	44	7	17				
Morton (-) dWlL	25	11	4	6	1	31	31	9	14	2	11	1	17	46	5	14				

WINS FOR CRYSTAL P. AND WATFORD

London, To-day.—Two games in the Third Division, Southern Sec-

tion, were held yesterday when Crystal Palace beat Bristol Rovers by the odd goal in five and Watford beat Southend by 3 goals to 1. **Reuter.**

Studio Talk
On Air
Raid Precautions

12.00 noon—Relay of a service of Intercession from St. John's Cathedral.
12.30 p.m.—Musical Comedy Selections.
The Dubarry—"If I am Dreaming"
Heddie Nash (Tenor).
The Cat and The Fiddle—Vocal Gems.
Light Opera Co.
The Gold Diggers of 1933—Selection.
B.B.C. Dance Orch.
12.51 p.m.—Billy Mayerl at the Piano.
Savoy Havana Memories.
Over She Goes—Selection.
1.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.
1.03 p.m.—Eric Coates and His Orchestra.
Springtime Suite.
For Your Delight (Serenade).
Two Symphonic Rhapsodies.
1.30 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press.
Weather Forecast and Announcements.
1.40 p.m.—Variety.
2.15 p.m.—Close Down.
5.00 p.m.—Relay of the dance Orchestra of the Hong Kong Hotel from the roof Garden of the Hong Kong Hotel.

Today's Wireless

ZBW 355 M. 845 k.c.s. : : : ZEK 640 k.c.s.

6.00 p.m.—Children's Hour from the Studio.
7.00 p.m.—Elizabeth Schumann.
On Wings of Song (Mendelssohn).
Music of the Spheres (Strauss).
I'll Play the Innocent Country Maid (from Der Fledermaus).
7.10 p.m.—Berlin State Opera Orchestra.
"Jubel" Overture (Weber).
From Foreign Lands (Moskowsky).
Torch Dance No. 1 on B Flat Major (Meyerbeer).
7.35 p.m.—Studio. Talk on Air Raid Precautions by Lt. Commr. Douglas.
7.45 p.m.—Studio—Marina Barretto.
8.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.
8.03 p.m.—Chinese Programme—Studio Concert.
11.00 p.m.—Close Down.
8.05 p.m.—Scottish Songs.
I've Something in the Bottle for the Morning.
Mr. John Mackay... Sir Harry Lauder.
Comin' Through the Rye

The Lea Rig.
William's Gane to Melville Castle.
Dora Labette.
Robert Burnett.
Auld Scots Songs—Medley.
The Maestros (Vocal Quintette).
8.30 p.m.—London Relay—"At The Black Dog." Mr. Wilkes at home in his own Bar Parlour, presented by Pascoe Thornton.
9 p.m.—Yehudi Menuhin (Violin).
Sicilienne et Rigaudon (Francoeur-Kreisler).
Guitarre (Moskowsky-Sarasate).
Tarantella (Szymanowski).
Notturmo (Szymanowski).
9.15 p.m.—London Relay—"World Affairs." A talk by J. L. Brierly, Chichele Professor of International Law in the University of Oxford.
9.30 p.m.—London Relay—The News.
9.50 p.m.—Chopin—Piano Concerto in E Minor. Played by Arthur Rubinstein, and the London Symphony Orchestra conducted by John Barbirolli.
10.24 p.m.—Variety Programme.
Haffner Serenade (Mozart).
Edith Lorand & Her Orchestra.
Sea Winds (Harrison).
Full Sail (Buck)..... Peter Dawson.
The Velets.
Lily of Laguna—Waiting at the Church—Barn Dances..... Billy Merrin & His Commanders.
Harold Entertains (Comedy Sketch).
Ivor Winter.
Six Hits of the Day.
Primo Scala's Accordeon Band.
That Old Feeling (Foxtrot).
Sympathy (Waltz).
Jay Wilbur and His Band.
11 p.m.—Close down.

Chopin Piano
Concerto
In E Minor

G.M.T.
8.15 a.m.—Big Ben. "Do we Understand English?"
8.30 a.m.—The Chamber Music of Schubert.
9.10 a.m.—Robb Wilton as Mr. Muddlecombe, J.P., in "The Court of 'Not-so-Common, Please!'"
9.25 a.m.—"Haunting Harmonies."
9.45 a.m.—"World Affairs."
10 a.m.—The News & Announcements.
Greenwich Time Signal at 10.15 a.m.
10.25 a.m.—Close down.

TRANSMISSION 2

Frequencies—

GSI 21.53 Mc/s (18.93 m.)
GSH 21.47 Mc/s (18.97 m.)
GSG 17.79 Mc/s (16.86 m.)
GSO 15.18 Mc/s (19.76 m.)

10.45 a.m.—Big Ben. "Catharine Parr," or "Alexander's Horse."
10.55 a.m.—British Light Music.
11.45 a.m.—The Count of Monte Cristo.
12.15 p.m.—The Gaumont State Orchestra.
12.30 p.m.—"At the Black Dog." Mr. Wilkes at home in his own bar-parlour.
1 p.m.—Yehudi Menuhin (Violin).
1.15 p.m.—"World Affairs."
1.30 p.m.—The News & Announcements.
Greenwich Time Signal at 1.45 p.m.

1.55 p.m.—Close down.

TRANSMISSION 3

Frequencies—

GSH 21.47 Mc/s (18.97 m.)
GSG 17.79 Mc/s (16.86 m.)
GSF 15.14 Mc/s (19.82 m.)
GSJ (to 3.30 p.m.) 21.53 Mc/s

1.55 p.m.—Opening Announcements.
2 p.m.—Big Ben. Old Dance Music.
2.55 p.m.—Fred Astaire.
3.15 p.m.—The Symphonies of Brahms.
4 p.m.—The News & Announcements.
Greenwich Time Signal at 4.15 p.m.
4.20 p.m.—"Matters or Moment."
4.35 p.m.—Recital of North-Country Music.
5 p.m.—Close down.

BRIDGE NOTES

By ELY CULBERTSON

Trump Agreement

"Agreement" on a trump suit may take any one of several different forms that range from enthusiastic support down to merely tacit acceptance. One of these forms is not always understood, even by very fair players. The situation described in to-day's hand, which actually occurred in a far-better-than-average rubber game in New York, will, I hope, serve as a valuable object lesson.
South dealer.
North-South vulnerable.
Sixty part-score.

NORTH
S.—Q 9 6 4
H.—Q 10 7 5 3 2
D.—10 8
C.—A

WEST EAST
S.—A J 10 3 2 S.—8
H.—K 8 4 H.—9 6
D.—K D.—J 7 6 4 2
C.—Q J 9 4 C.—10 7 5 3 2

SOUTH
S.—K 7 5
H.—A J
D.—A Q 9 5 3
C.—K 8 6

The bidding:
South West North East
1 diamond 1 spade 2 hearts Pass
Pass 2 spades Pass Pass
3 diamonds Pass Pass Pass

The most significant call in the above series of bids apparently went right over North's head. That was South's pass to the two heart bid! By this pass South clearly voiced acceptance of hearts. The fact that, on the next round, over West's repeated spade bid and passes from North and East, South then rebid his diamonds should have meant little or nothing to the North player. Surely North could not expect a direct raise in hearts from South if the latter held only two hearts, but just as surely he was marked with those two (and probably not two small ones, either!) by his previous acceptance. It was all very well for North to consider that he had reasonable support for a rebid diamond suit. What he overlooked was that it would be perfectly normal and logical for South to rebid even a fair five card diamond suit rather than support with only

two trumps a suit that, for all South knew, was only five long. North's pass over West's spade rebid was, in itself, an urge for partner to take further action. The pass could not convey weakness, since North had already given notice by his free two heart bid that he was fairly strong.

As a matter of fact, North had a pretty good penalty double of two spades, even through the opponents were not vulnerable. As least that action would have been high preferable to leaving South in three diamonds. Two spades doubled would have returned a dividend of 500 points, whereas three diamonds could not be made by normal play. West opened the club queen. Dummy won, and the heart finesse was tried immediately. West took the king and, not knowing about his partner's singleton, returned a heart. The ace won, the low club was ruffed, and the diamond ten was let ride. West cashed his singleton king, and led another club. Declarer won and, when the play of the diamond ace revealed the bad news, led a low spade toward dummy.

West, who had by this time formed a pretty fair picture of South's and East's distribution, jumped up with the ace, and returned a spade which East ruffed.

Declarer, having lost four tricks, had to concede the setting trick to the diamond jack, since it was not possible to coup it.

Had North taken three diamonds back to three hearts, as he should, he would have had no trouble in fulfilling his contract, and probably could have made an extra trick.

TO-DAY'S QUESTION

Question: In progressive bridge, does one get the game bonus for fulfilling a contract of three diamonds doubled?

Answer: Many players seem to have trouble on this point. I have stated many times that a double or redouble is an integral part of the contract. Thus, three diamonds doubled and made should be scored as 120 points, which, of course, is a game, and therefore the declarer is entitled to the game bonus.

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KING'S BRIDE WILL BE SILENT FOR CONSENT

Cairo, To-day.

King Farouk's bride will not be present when the marriage contract is signed, as the ceremony is being conducted according to Mussulman rites.

The contract will be signed for her by her father.

She will, however, be present at the subsequent part of the ceremony, when she will be asked if she consents to marry the King.

The bride's silence will signify her consent, since the modesty of a Mussulman bride precludes her giving an audible affirmative reply.

When, after the ceremony, the bride drives with her father in a glass coach to the Royal Palace, she will be completely veiled. — Trans-Ocean.

DRIZZLE LATER

The Royal Observatory reports that an anti-cyclone of moderate intensity has developed over China and pressure is highest to the north west of Shantung. A shallow depression is moving north eastward across southern Japan.

Local forecast:—N. E. winds, moderate to fresh; cloudy generally with fog at first, probably drizzle or light rain later.

JAPAN MUST MANIFEST DESIRE FOR PEACE IN ACCEPTABLE CONDITIONS

Hankow, To-day.

"China's only reply to the recent declarations from Tokyo is increased resistance, which will be continued until Japan manifests her sincere desire for peace by offering acceptable conditions," declared Dr. H. H. Kung to Trans-Ocean last night.

TOKYO'S DECISIONS, SAID DR. KUNG, HAD CREATED AN ENTIRELY NEW SITUATION, AND HAD SERVED TO INCREASE THE CHINESE NATION'S WILL TO RESISTANCE.

So long as the possibility existed of Japan stretching out a peaceful hand, military operations had been restrained, but now China was determined to fight to the bitter end.

China could not accept Japan's present terms since they would mean absolute enslavement.

Japan was trying to influence world opinion in her favour by emphasising her desire for peace but as a matter of fact, the latest Japanese peace conditions were just as unacceptable for China as the previous ones.

NO ALTERNATIVE

"China had done her best to pave the way for such an understanding in the conviction that it was indispensable for ensuring the future prosperity of both countries.

For the time being, however, China had no alternative but to continue to defend her national honour and the integrity of her territory.

Dr. Kung said that failure of peace efforts had been due to the irreconcilable attitude of Japan, but that as soon as Japan showed a sincere desire for peace, China would be ready to do everything possible to procure friendly co-operation between the two nations.

Such co-operation, however, could only be achieved on the basis of mutual respect and recognition of each other's rights.—Trans-Ocean.

FANLING GOLF SECOND ROUND RESULTS IN CAPTAIN'S CUP

The following are the results of the Second Round (Match-play stages) of the Captain's Cup Competition held at Fanling:

A. Morse (12) was conceded a walk-over by Major Shannon who, as challenger, failed to arrange the date of the match.

G. A. Stewart (15) beat G. H. Henry (18) by 8 and 6.

I. H. Geare (11) beat W. Sharp (9), who was disqualified for playing off the wrong handicap, in accordance with a decision of the Rules Committee.

T. E. Pearce (15) beat A. D. Humphreys (10) by 5 and 3.

D. S. Edward (4) beat D. J. Mackie (6) 8 and 7.

J. H. Seth (18) beat J. H. Dunnett (16) by 6 and 5.

D. L. Prophet (14) beat J. E. Jupp (9) by 4 and 3.

Col. H. H. Blake (6) beat H. N. Williamson (13) at the 20th.

The next round must be played on or before January 30 and the first named in each match is responsible for the arranging of dates.

NEAR MORTUARY

Wing Chui-king, aged 24, was yesterday admitted to the Queen Mary Hospital suffering from wounds to his throat. He attempted to commit suicide with a safety razor outside the Public Mortuary.


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